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PONY CLUBS AND PACK BEAGLING "BEAGLER"

American Pony Clubs are missing a bet! While most of them are doing spectacular jobs teaching riding and horsemanship to their children, not one is taking advantage of the wonderful opportunity that a nearby pack of beagles or bassets affords, even though foxhunting is one of the required subjects.

All too many of us know what happens when the Pony Clubber goes foxhunting. He is prodded into saying "Good Morning" to the Master (forgetting the huntsman), paying his cap (one eye on a fidgety pony), and, once he is aboard, the rest of his day (and days for many years to come) is concerned with staying there. He follows a line of tails through a lot of woods, leaping an assortment of unfamiliar obstacles and, if he galloped lots, jumped lots, and stayed topside, it was a wonderful hunt.

Far too few children, in countries as wooded as most of our hunting countries are, know whether hounds actually found a fox or not. Nor have they heard much of their cry. Even fewer have ever seen a hunted fox, watched hounds work out a check, identified a particular voice, or felt the primitive wonder that comes from watching the plays in the game between the fox and hounds.

Whether it be with a hare hunting or a cottontailing pack, consider the following advantages of beagling or bassetting for prospective foxhunters:—

1) The country is open and you see the panorama of the hunt much better. You can watch hounds work to recover the line after a check, learn to track game, and you are seldom out of sight of the action (except on the fastest of days). To save steps, you must develop an instinct for the chase, watch the hunted animal closely, and think about the terrain before deciding which route to run.

2) The fox and hare use many similar ruses to escape hounds with which you can become familiar out beagling. Side jumps, double-checks, running foil, running roads and through livestock, changing with fresh game, slow crawling, running through water, on thin ice, and zig-zagging

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—are all deceptions used by both quarries.

3) A pack of beagles hunts basically the same way as a pack of foxhounds, but the hounds, the hunt, and the quarry are all scaled down in size. The beagle is, according to the A.K.C. standard, a miniature or child-sized foxhound. A beagle can be handled by a child, even deputising as a pet as well as for hunting purposes, whereas a foxhound is just too big and eats too much. Beagles are friendlier, less awesome than foxhounds, and a keen child can learn about whipping-in to and hunting a beagle pack.

4) Beagling invites athletic ability; by running cross-country yourself, you remember later what you are asking your horse to do. And another nice thing is that you don't have to worry about your pony's jumping ability—you can concentrate on the hunt.

5) The structure and management of a pack of beagles and a pack of foxhounds is the same. Both have similar ancient backgrounds, identical staffs, and the same rules of courtesy. You perhaps learn even more respect for peoples' land when you feel it under your feet.

6) Beagling is less expensive. Cap fees are seldom over a dollar for a child, and a subscription is about 1/10 a foxhunting subscription.

Some of the bigger Pony Clubs should consider maintaining a small pack of their own. How sad it would be to face a future of a thousand and enthusiastic young foxhunters who hunted only to ride, when the background necessary for truly sporting men and women was right here all the time in packs of beagles and bassets.

Letters..... Tourelay Beagles

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter my beagles are the Tourelay Beagles. I started my little pack last year, and have 8 couples.

My twin nieces Sally and Muffin Lord, who are 15, whip in to me. As I am just learning, I take hounds out nearly every day, and invite people to come along, but not very often.

I hunt the country which is also hunted by the Monmouth County Harriers, though not quite as extensively, but more often.

While on the subject, I have often wondered why the Harriers are listed with

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Horse-Player In Action

Raleigh Burroughs

It is a rare privilege to have the opportunity to observe a knowledgeable horse-player in action - especially if the versed votary is willing to share his learning with associates and racing fans in his immediate vicinity.

In every group at a racetrack, there is an individual who is considered the sage and in this exalted office feels constrained to give less well informed folk the benefit of lessons learned in the bitter school of experience.

People who were sitting near a gent named Vernon in Pimlico's air-warmed, glass-enclosed stand on December 5 picked up a semester in handicapping education, for Vernon had read the books and understood the mysteries of form and odds and the importance of the rider.

All The Answers

In a word, he knew all the answers; and, all in all, he had a rather good day.

Paradoxically, it was not his infinite knowledge of the sport that brought him out, but his judgment in deciding to follow a "trend."

Vernon took the trend to the track with him. It was a trend named Vivien, who listened quietly and attentively as her escort explained the logic of his selections.

"I've got four doubles," Vernon announced, and supplied good solid reasons for every one of them. He was convincing and mighty reassuring to any persons who had fixed upon the same choices.

His solidest choice for a straight bet was Fluellen, which seemed to be "just reaching top form."

Vivien didn't buy - and she didn't buy any doubles, either. She invested two bucks to show on Happyfellow Bob.

"He hasn't even started at the track," Vernon warned.

Naturally, Happyfellow Bob got out on top and never was headed. He paid \$4.60 to show.

Vernon was rather disgusted, as the horse paid \$19.40 to win. He was even more disgusted because all his doubles blew and Fluellen finished a diminishing fourth.

"We can recover on Legal Larceny," announced Vernon. "I don't see how he can miss."

"First Pic has a good last race and light weight," responded Vivien. Now, having some of the "track's money" (\$2.60), she stretched it a bit and bet two

across.

After Legal Larceny showed how he could miss, Vernon checked the numbers on the board and discovered that First Pic had won and paid \$18, \$8 and \$4.60 - total of \$30.60.

Vernon and friend played the same horse in the third, "Tom Toughy has the class of this bunch," he explained. Vivien would go along with that. She bought a two-across ticket, while Vernon placed his chips to win only. Tom Toughy was beaten a soiled schnozzola, invalidating all win tickets, but making the \$2 combination worth \$8.

Vernon was not yet ready for the monoxide pipe, but the time was fast approaching.

Clear Logics

He had a good laugh, though, at Vivien's reason for playing her next selection. "He is trained by DiMauro," she explained, "and he had a big winner on Thanksgiving Day."

Vernon tried not to be impatient. "Crestlite," he pointed out, "was a winner in New York, he's never been entered for less than ten grand, and looks like a tremendous overlay at five to one."

And he was an overlay - he paid \$8.40 to place and \$4.80 to show, but he didn't get into the win spot, where Vernon played because that position was full of John Smith "the horse DiMauro trained."

Vivien redeemed her two-across ticket for \$132.20 - \$93.20 win, \$27.20 to place and \$12 to show).

For a minute, Vernon forgot he was an authority and looked to see what Vivien had checked on her program.

He went to buy his ticket and came back to explain that Cross Channel had "raced against much better horses in New York."

Vivien already had purchased her two-across ticket on the same steed.

"I like this horse," Vernon observed, "but I've got savers on Revoque and Manticora."

He should have saved on his savers. Cross Channel won comfortably.

There is nothing like collecting money to give a horse enthusiast new confidence, and Vernon was his old self as he began his public analysis of the seventh.

"It's all Star - Garter," he declared and listed a yard of logical reasons.

Vivien wagered her two-across on Cri de Guerre, which finished second return-

ing \$6.80 for the six-dollar combination ticket.

Star - Garter finished ninth in the field of ten.

Demoralized

Demoralization set in. This shows when an acknowledged authority turns to a fellow player and says, "Who do you like in this one?"

Calmly, Vivien replied, "Scriven; he's had good works and he can go the distance."

Vernon gulped and started to say something, but then he showed his smartness and went along with a trend.

Scriven won handsomely and paid off the same way - \$25 to win, \$8.60 to place and \$5.20 to show.

Vernon's bankroll was healed and improved, and he still was willing to listen.

Vivien didn't wait for him to ask. "Across the board on Madok," she directed.

Vernon went off willingly to wager. Madok finished second, returning \$13.20 for a two-dollar combination.

As the couple strolled out of the track, those near Vernon heard him say, "In this betting business, the thing to do is keep your head. If you get panicky when you lose a few, you can ruin yourself. If you keep your equilibrium and stick to your method of wagering, you'll come out all right in the end."

Vivien smiled and nodded and squeezed her big, fat bankroll.



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Racing Review

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Aqueduct

New Aqueduct closed its inaugural meeting of 66 days on Monday, Nov. 30, featured by the 54th running of the Queens County, a one mile handicap stakes for 3-year-olds and upwards. Seven horses of handicap class entered the starting gate and their trainers had an eye on a cut of the \$25,000 added pie.

Whitley, owned by W. A. Hanger, and ridden by Eric Guerin, won in a driving finish, by one and one-half lengths over Clermont Stable's Rick City. Mrs. E. D. Jacobs' Promised Land was third and Howell E. Jackson's 6-year-old Tick Tock, fourth. Whitley ran the mile in 1:36 2/5 over a fast track.

The winner is a 4-year-old bay gelding by Better Self out of Light Lady, by Sweeping Light and was bred by his owner. Veteran trainer Max Hirsch saddled Whitley. The net value to the winner was \$18,095.



drew seven 3-year-olds and older horses, who were asked to go a mile and one-half for the \$10,000 added purse. It was the main event on Saturday, Dec. 5.

Howell E. Jackson's Cross Channel defeated the favorite, R. P. Trice's Ashlar, by three lengths. Powhatan Farm's River-sun finished third and W. A. Hanger's Revoque fourth. Cross Channel was timed at 2:33 2/5 for the mile and one-half over a fast track.

The winner, a home-bred, is a 5-year-old bay gelded son of *Princequillo out of the Johnstown mare Two Cities. E. A. Christmas trains Cross Channel and jockey K. Korte was in the irons. The victory was worth \$7,503.75 to Cross Channel, who was bred at Mr. Jackson's Bull Run Stud, Middleburg, Virginia. Mr. Jackson is a member of the Jockey Club and a past president of the Virginia Thoroughbred Association.

Tropical Park

The City of Miami Handicap was the feature attraction at Tropical Park, Sat.,

Pimlico

The 23rd running of the Pimlico Cup

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Dec. 5th. A handicap stakes for 3-year-olds and upwards, at a mile and 70 yards, it had a purse of \$10,000 added value, and drew ten starters.

Coquito Stud's *Petare defeated F. C. Rand's *St. Amour II by two lengths. J. S. Kroese's Little Hermit was third and M. N. Goodwin's Jimmer received the short end of the purse. Tropical Park's track was fast and *Petare set a new track record of 1:39 4/5 for the mile and 70 yards, clipping three-fifths of a second off the mark set by Spangled Game in 1944. *Petare carried 120 pounds; the previous record holder hefted only 107 pounds.

*Petare is an 8-year-old horse, by Moslem-Collette, by Diadoque, bred by H. C. Cernadas (Argentina). He is trained by Dr. Miguel Torrealba, J. Cruz was the jockey. The net value to the winner was \$7,350. *Petare will be remembered as the winner of the Royal Palm Handicap at Hialeah last January. He ran his last eight races in Caracas, Venezuela.

Fair Grounds

The scene in the winners circle on Saturday, Nov. 28, at the Fair Grounds, New Orleans, La., was a familiar one. W. H. Bishop Stable's Pete's Folly an old hand at being photographed in the winners inclosure at the Fair Grounds, did it again when he won the Crescent City Handicap, on the third day of the 87 day meeting.

Pete's Folly chalked up an easy triumph finishing four and one-half lengths in front of J. Bibson's Sun Better. M. H. Van Berg's Redbird Wish was the place horse and Crabgrass Stable's Beauguerre was fourth in the field of eight. The time was 1:46 over a fast track.

The winner is a 6-year-old chestnut gelding by Piet out of the Challedon mare Spring Folly. He was bred by J. Welch. Jockey C. Meaux was his rider and one of his owners W. H. Bishop trains him. The net value to the winner was \$6,500 and Pete's Folly is now working on his second \$100,000 of his career.

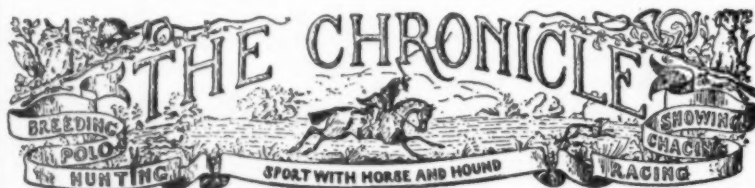
WE'RE WAITING

Usually everything which involves embezzling, payoffs, and shortages of funds or the sudden affluence of some people, is promptly laid at the door of racing. Ill-gotten gains suddenly become legitimate when the embezzler says he won the money at the race track.

With all of the rigged quiz TV shows, the old "payola" and other irregularities, eating at the moral fibers of the nation, it appears that our motto is "Get to the top no matter how you do it and all will be forgiven." However, what is "bugging" this writer is the fact that no one has jumped up and blamed it all on racing. M.R.

NEW YORK RACING RECORDS

Attendance and betting at the recent Aqueduct (New York) Race Meeting, as compared to returns for a similar period last year, were up 25% respectively.



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J. A. Allen, Bookseller

Columnist Leon Rasmussen of The Morning Telegraph, now travelling abroad, recently had the following to say about J. A. Allen of London, who for many years has been The Chronicle's British representative: - "Joe Allen, who is married to a French woman, once owned a second-hand bookstore in Paris, but he came back to London after the war and began specializing in books on horses. A small man, probably in his 50s, he is all energy. One can quickly understand how this one man, with only small clerical help, has built up the greatest collection of books on the horse in the world. Upon entering the store it is all very innocent enough. It looks just like any respectable bookstore should look, but then, as one starts moving up and down the building where even the staircases serve as bookshelves, the magnitude of Joe Allen's operation begins to seep in. Allen uses the entire building, the warehouse next door and sundry other places around London to store his books. All told he has over one-quarter of a million volumes on horses and the total may well run closer to 300,000.

True Booklover

"Joe Allen has a limitless enthusiasm for his business. In fact, it is his hobby as well as his business. Working hours apply to his employees but not to Allen. He also has a great 'feeling' for his books. I asked him how he could possibly catalogue or keep track of so many books. He said his most effective way is to put as many of the books as possible away himself. 'Once you feel a book,' he said, 'you remember where it is. You can't just look at it and think you'll remember. You won't. You must touch them, feel them. That is why I dust them at times, even when it isn't necessary.'

"Allen is also a thoroughly knowledgeable man on horses, indicating that many of the books which pass through his hands are also read. He notes, 'All of our books are about winners. We have 'Sires of Winners,' and 'Dams of Winners,' but we don't have anything on 'Sires of Losers' or 'Dams of Losers.' May be we're going at this business in the wrong direction. I believe we could learn a great deal from the cattle breeders. And I'm not so sure about breeders wanting to 'improve the breed.' They want improvement in their own breed, but they certainly don't want to see it in the other man's horses.

Works of All Descriptions

"Allen's books include those centuries old and those fresh off the printing press. They cover every possible aspect of the horse and those associated with him. There is fiction by the great storytellers of old which have given the Romance of the Turf that capital 'R,' and there are mountains

of the hard facts of horsemanship - the statistical volumes. And between there are books of fact which read, in many cases, like fiction. There is an entire set of the General Stud Book, dating from 1791, and there are stud books from every country in the world where the Thoroughbred races - Chile, Japan, New Zealand, South Africa, etc. If the country has racing, Allen has something on it or will get hold of it.

"This probably accounts for Allen's amazing collection, for he is a collector as well as a bookseller and his tireless pursuit of the book or the books he wants

is akin to a deep love. That he admits, saying he is fortunate to be making a living out of something he wants to do. Along with his books he has collected and sold many sporting prints and many of these hang from the walls of his shop, upstairs and down.

World Wide Correspondence

"Every day at Allen's bookshop letters arrive from horselovers all over the world making inquiries about old books or placing orders for new and old ones. As Allen pointed out, many of these letters come from countries where racing was virtually

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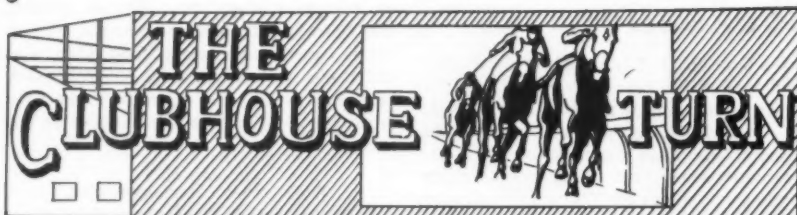
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JOCKEY KEIPER'S APPETITE

Jockeys are small, wiry people, ranging in age from 16 years on up, who earn from \$100 to \$100,000 a year, and who spend their leisure time running up and down hills to meet the demands of the scales and watch the spread of their waistbands as intently as a chorus girl guards her figure.

At first glance they seem to have cynical eyes, but that is because they are tired of eating pineapple salad and chicken breast and wish they might, instead, bite into a juicy hot roast beef sandwich. The reason they eat pineapple salad and chicken is because this adds no weight to their frame. The reason they don't eat hot roast beef sandwiches is equally obvious.

Occasionally in the bizarre jockey trade, however, can be found a rider who defies all rules and traditions by eating anything - and everything. Those are well-chosen words. Jockey Paul Keiper takes them literally at their face value, for the Nebraska horseman has an appetite like a goat, with an insatiable penchant for used razor blades, old tire patches and green-bottle flies, all washed down with a bottle of India ink. It started as a gag, according to Paul, when he ate his first double-edged blade, grinding it into steel fragments and downing it with a glass of water. There were many skeptics among the jockey colony, so he did it again - and again - as his reputation spread. Brother riders ever since have been dumfounded as he chews bumblebees, digests blotting paper and has a gay old Bacchanalian orgy on uncashed mutual tickets.

"I have now retired on my laurels," Paul said the other day at Waterford Park. "I think my luck has changed, and I'm going back to pineapple salad and chicken meat, with maybe an occasional chicken

bone tossed in just to whet my appetite."

Keiper will still chew an electric light bulb and swallow a fly or so on a bet - or a dare. He's one boy who could never take either sitting down. His gastronomical achievements will live long after him, however. Newcomers, youngsters fresh to the apprentice ranks, eye him with wide amazement, their obvious hero-worshipping inducing him to savor an occasional bit of floor linoleum or a tube of paste, merely to prove stories about his prowess were not exaggerated.

"But no more," says Paul with fervor. Those eating days are gone forever. Skeptics will just have to take the word of others that it was all true, or maybe he'll bounce up and down every one in a while for their benefit so they can hear the old iron rumbling inside of him.

"It was fun while it lasted," the boy concluded. "After all, I had to do something to kill the taste of pineapple salad and chicken meat day after day." H. W.



RUNS AWAY AND STILL WINS

After Operatic Society tossed his rider and ran away at the start of the Manchester (England) November Handicap, almost completing a full turn of the course before being caught, it looked as though Philadelphia C. M. Kline's Ross Sea had the race in his pocket. Apparently this was just the warm-up that Operatic Society needed, however, for he beat Ross Sea a length, being the first 3-year-old ever to win this race with as much as 121 pounds up.

TROPICAL TO AWARD FLORIDA-BRED TROPHY

Tropical Park will award the Tropical Park Challenge Trophy to the breeder of the winner of the Florida-Breeders' Championship, established to honor the late James Bright, pioneer Florida Thoroughbred breeder. The first running of this annual fixture for two-year-olds bred in Florida is slated for December 30th.

The championship trophy will be presented at the Florida Thoroughbred Breeders Association's annual dinner to be held late in January, on a date end in a prominent place to be announced later. This year the dinner will not be staged on the same day as the annual Florida-bred two-year-old horse show as in previous years, but will be spotted between the FTBA show and the Florida Breeders' Sales Company's annual two-year-old sale, both to be held at Hialeah.

The Tropical Park Challenge Trophy winner will hold the cup for a year, will turn it over to the breeder of the 1960 winner at the 1961 FTBA dinner. The trophy will be in permanent competition but at each annual FTBA dinner, the breeder surrendering the cup will receive a smaller replica for his trophy shelf.

GRANDPA LONGDEN

Lots of eventful things happen to grandfather jockey, Johnny Longden, at Del Mar race track. It was at Del Mar on Labor Day 1956 that Johnny rode his 4,871st winner to pass Sir Gordon Richards as the winningest rider of all time. He was also the leading jockey at the 1956 Del Mar meeting as he had been in 1950 (tied with Shoemaker in the earlier year).

In 1957, the Del Mar meeting also proved eventful for the grandad in silks except that the eventfulness was unpleasant. About half way thru the meeting, an animal named Royal Zaca spilled Mr. Longden in the starting gate breaking his (Johnny's) leg between the knee and ankle. Longden recovered from that one.

He came back to the Del Mar meeting the following year sharp enough to become the leading rider again with 46 winners. That was his event for 1958 and it was rather on the pleasant side. But he didn't let it go at that. He had to have another event for 1958. A horse named Gallant Royal had a heart attack and went down during a morning work on September 7. Of course it was Longden up. Of course he was thrown. And of course he was thrown into the inner rail and broke the same leg.

I hope all his "events" for 1959 at Del Mar are of the pleasant variety because he'll be there riding again in spite of his admitted 49 years. The records state that Mr. Longden was born on St. Valentine's Day 1910 although some say his natal day could be moved back to 1905 and not be far off. R. J. Clark

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SUPER RACING FAN

Among racing fans, a woman who rode on the same bus with me from New York City to Laurel, Maryland for this year's Washington, D. C. International must be numbered among the most devoted.

First of all, riding from New York City to Laurel and back in the same day to see a horse race is an act of devotion in itself. Between your seat and the one in front of it there is about one inch less space for your knees than the absolute minimum necessary to sit in any semblance of comfort. Also, if you have on any more clothes than a pair of bathing trunks, the seat is crowded because of your excess clothing. (I do not recommend going racing at Laurel on November 11 in bathing trunks.) And there is another delight you encounter on bussing it to the races. Every brand of cheap cigar known to modern man is smoked in the course of the 4 1/2 hour trip (4 1/2 hours each way of course). Those cigars are not only smoked by almost every male in the bus so the atmosphere is pure blue, but the cigars are chain smoked.

So this female to whom I refer was racing fan enough to endure the trip. On top of that, when she got off the bus at Laurel Race Track, she admonished the bus driver, "Let's get out of here fast after the ninth race so I can get back and go to the trotters."

I'll bet she did too.

R. J. Clark

RACE TRACK PUBLICITY

If you look over the attendance and wagering figures for the various Thoroughbred race meetings which have been concluded so far this year as compared with what they did last year, you will notice a disturbing number of minuses. To determine why in each case would of course require a detailed analysis. To find out how not to experience those disturbing minuses, one need only take a look at how Del Mar and Garden State got nice plusses for themselves.

For the first time, Del Mar got competition on Saturdays from Caliente in 1958. The result was minus figures for wagering and attendance for 1958 as compared with 1957. Know what Del Mar did to come out with a better 1959 than 1958? Del Mar simply upped its advertising publicity, and public relations efforts and expenditures. Like magic, 1959 turned out fine in spite of the same competition from Caliente.

Now as to Garden State. It has 50 days split between 25 in the spring and 25 in the fall. For the whole 50 days, wagering totaled \$100,488,768, a new record and the first time wagering has gone over the hundred million dollar mark. Attendance for the fall meeting increased 4.8% which is astounding, considering that Garden State was competing with New York's brand new super Aqueduct.

There is no secret about how Garden

State did it either. It's plain and simple as can be, more thought and effort. Here are just a few examples of what Garden State did. Added effort was directed to getting special groups to spend "a day at the races", like the North Tennis shoe PTA or the West Hemstead WCTU and such. Garden State got nearly 70 such groups this year. Another promotion device was getting the merchants in nearby Trenton to sell tickets for one of the big races, the Trenton Handicap. Another publicity getter, was TV broadcast coast to coast on CBS of the meeting's most important race, The Garden State. Still another promotion was getting prominent customers to ad lib about Garden State and use those comments on spot radio announcements. And so it goes with one bright idea after another.

It simply goes to show that the way to get the customers is to ATTRACT them, not just sit there like a bump on a pickle and expect them to flock thru the gates out of sheer adoration.

R. J. Clark

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BON ROI

Next season will see added to Fox Hollow Stables' Rapidan, Va., list of breeding stock the name of Bernie Mann's Thoroughbred stallion, Bon Roi (Ro. 1954). By Bonne Nuit out of Brave Bonnie by Valorous, he is 3/4 brother to Riviera Wonder, one of the world's greatest jumpers. As a three year old Bon Roi started his jumping education in Tryon, N. C., with the United States Equestrian Team and was called by William Steinkraus "the best mover that Bonne Nuit ever sired". His dam, Brave Bonnie, produced the outstanding conformation champion Adventure, twice National Conformation Hunter Champion and once Reserve. Her last foal, Bon Noel, is considered by many to be the best green open jumper to come out in 1959.

Toni Brewer



VIRGINIA WINNERS

The Virginia Thoroughbred Association reports the following Virginians who owned or bred recent winners: Four Way Ranch (Bim-Bashi, Baghatour); Rockburn Farm (Gentle Ruler, Cee Zee); Blenheim (Gentle Ruler, Ufo, El Choclo, Sinn Feiner, Jason's Star); North Cliff (Moon Again);

Montpelier (Arietta, Sam Small); Mrs. M. T. Gilpin (Green Leader); Morven Stud (Allahgem); Brookmeade (Fighting General, Fall Wind, Sword Dancer, Dynamic, Freeholder, Scout Ship); Foxcatcher Farm (Genian); Llangollen Farm (Crasher, Goldendeavour, Iceman); G. C. Clark (Priscilla C.); C. D. Steiner (Chester K.); Mrs. L. L. Voigt, Jr. (Living High, Wishful Thinking, Red River Valley); North Hill (Paper Boss, Sergeant King, Wise Ship); Meadow Stable (First Landing, Top Double); Pine Brook (Corusca, Bal



H. A. Grant's AIRMANS GUIDE finishing by herself in the \$15,000 added Marguerite Stakes. She is a 2-year-old bay filly by One Count out of the Hard Tack mare, Nava-gating. W. Hartack is the rider.

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TEXAS

NEW TEXAS STALLIONS

With Spring in the offing, some of the local horsemen and breeders are completing plans for a busy 1960 season. Several new stallions will be offered. The new sires include Turf Bull, which J. E. (Corky) Kuykendall, Forth Worth, is standing at the Sam Chestnut farm west of Arlington, and which Kuykendall leased for several years. Another young stallion seeking a spot in the sun is Bulls enough, three-year-old son of the former Reynolds Bros., star, Bulls Eye, out of a Band Time mare. This youngster recently acquired by a small syndicate of Graham, Texas, horsemen, has been at the Howard Kyle establishment, Pittsburg, in East Texas since he was foaled. He was a brilliant prospect as a yearling but hurt himself badly and has not been able to stand training. Kyle, who has a number of mares and youngsters on his place, leased him to the Graham breeders, and the youngster is now in his new quarters. B.B.

Harbour; Powhatan Farm (Fresh Paint); R. J. Kirkpatrick (Fresh Paint); H. Menken (Vendetta); A. T. Taylor (School Pride); Rokeby Stable (Farmer's Glory, Haddecord, Seven Corners); Companas Stable (Trouveur, White Tie); R. Burneston (Reigning Time); Dr. J. M. Rogers (John Smith); Fenton Farm (Rocketry); Mrs. M. W. Carter (Express); H. H. Polk (Monti's Dream); W. W. Pearson (Royal Brick); Mrs. M. A. Moore (Coubette); Mrs. A. C. Randolph (Best Hour, Sutler); J. P. Thayer (Tonys Gloria); H. G. Schneider (Baghatour); Barracks Farm (Ira Eaker); T. E. Gilman (Hill, Slash Cottage); Audley Farm (Col. Chuck, Likely Miss); C. MacLeod, Jr. (Oban); J. P. Jones (Air Grip); J. Maloney (Finn McCool); Mrs. G. L. Harrison (Kalomo, Hannah's Hill); Mrs. Ian Montgomery (Landrover); F. O. Rogers (Lepus); Mrs. F. A. O'Keefe (Battle Man); Newstead Farm (Doe); J. S. Burrows (Is For Me); D. O. Furr (Is For Me); C. H. McIntosh (Night Piper); C. T. Chenery (Sicola, Akobo); J. N. Andrews, Jr. (Soft Glow, Broken Step); Nydrie



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New Pay Envelope For Illinois

Back in August of 1956 the Board of Directors of the Illinois Thoroughbred Breeders Association, along with other interested breeders, met with a representative of Governor Stratton and presented a comprehensive plan for improving Thoroughbred breeding in the State of Illinois.

In the 1957 session of the Illinois General Assembly, House Bill #1384 became law on July 1st. Highly responsible in forming and passing this legislation were Mr. Paul Serdar, Chairman of the Illinois Racing Board and its members.

No one voted against the bill in the Senate and it carried the House by a vote of 117-21. The bill permitted the scheduling of an additional race at all Illinois race tracks each day, and provided that part of the State's share go into a fund, known as the Fund for Illinois Thoroughbreds Stakes, earmarked for races at Illinois tracks for Thoroughbreds conceived and foaled within the State of Illinois.



Almost immediately a wealth of new pay envelopes had been created by the bill. As an example - in the years 1947 through 1957, a period of eleven years, only 850 Thoroughbred foals had been registered in the State. In 1958 close to 300 foals have been registered or approximately 1/3 of our production in the past eleven years.

In 1959 it is expected that close to 700 Thoroughbred foals will be registered and a 50% increase being bred this year to foal in 1960, or a minimum of 1000 new born foals.

The Illinois Thoroughbred Breeders Association has compiled a survey comparing the years 1957 and 1958, and including approximately 75% of the breeders of the State.

Comparison Figures

Farm payroll - in dollars - 1957 - \$262,660.00; 1958 - \$480,936.00.

Feeding and bedding - 1957 - \$296,994.00; 1958 - \$461,790.00

Fencing - 1957 - \$69,408.00; 1958 - \$119,938.00.

Paint for fence and bldgs. - 1957 - \$21,606.00; 1958 - \$36,280.00

Horseshoeing - 1957 - \$23,279.00; 1958 - \$40,848.00.

Veterinarian fees and medicines - 1957 - \$53,157.00; 1958 - \$86,222.00.

General improvement expenses - 1957 - \$193,865.00; 1958 - \$421,750.00.

Film Over The Eyes

Mrs. Miriam Filer, Greenville, Pennsylvania, contributes the following taken from H. Bracken's "The Art of Farriery" 1798: -

"When a horse has got cold, it sometimes falls into his eyes, which you will know by a running or thick glare upon them. Put your hand to his nostrils, and if you find his breath hotter than usual, it will then be necessary to take a little blood from his neck; that is, a pint, or a quart at most, unless it be very thick and very hot. It is safer to take a gallon at five or six bleedings, than (sic) two quarts at once; for it robs him of too much animal spirits.

Always bleed a horse in a pint or quart pot: for when you bleed at random on the ground, you never can know what quantity you take, nor what quality his blood is of. From such violent methods, used with ignorance, proceeds the death of a great number of horses.

A pint of blood, for the first time, is enough, and you may repeat that as you see occasion; but you cannot easily restore the blood and spirits you may be too lavish of.

But to return to the eyes. After you have taken a pint of blood from him, get a quatern loaf, hot out of the oven, cut away the crust, and put the soft inside into a linen bag, large enough to cover his forehead and temples; press it flat, and bind it on, by way of poultice (sic), as hot as may be without scalding; at the same time fasten something of a cloth about his neck to keep his throat warm. Let the poultice stay on till it is almost cold, and repeat it once or twice, then prepare the following eye-water.

Into half a pint of rose or spring water, put one dram of tully, finely prepared; one dram of white sugar candy, powdered, and half a dram of fugar of lead.

With a feather put a drop into each eye, in the morning and evening.

Never blow powders into the eyes; always use liquids. The next day, if needful, repeat the poultice; and for want of a hot loaf, at any time, make a poultice of bread boiled in milk, continuing the eye water every day.

You may use the turnip poultice, but you must not put grease in it.

If a film grows over the eye, put a scruple of white vitriol, and a scruple of roche-alum, both finely powdered, into half a quatern of spring water; and with a feather put a drop into each eye, morning and evening, and it will eat it clean off in three days, or thereabouts."

(And should certainly discourage the horse from getting a film over his eyes very soon again!)



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Bryn Mawr Hound Show

Barbara Conolly

Picture a bright crisp dawn with cold dew on the grass and steam standing on the ponds, and then picture nineteen couple of beagles, belonging to nine different packs, streaming over Sam Eckert's beautiful Pennsylvania farm, well-packed-up and in close pursuit of a hare, and you see the fitting end to the annual test of conformation and type of these hounds at the Bryn Mawr Hound Show. For the improvement of type should lead only to greater prowess in the field, and American pack beagles prove it at this annual hunt for show hounds only. It was a rousing two hours of hound work, enhanced by the hospitable breakfast provided by the Treweryn hosts, as well as by the heavenly cool weather.

All hounds profited by this real break in the weather which blew in the night before the show (Sept. 11) and lasted right through the weekend. From broiling the weather swung to brisk and hounds were right on their toes all day Friday. If this was a departure from the ordinary, then there were two other departures from the ordinary to start the day off with a surprise. Judge Jean Millett phoned that she was unable to get down from Boston to judge the beagle classes and John K. Cowperthwaite, the alternate, stepped in instead. And Charlie Backus, after bringing his North Country hounds all the way from Michigan, was taken to the hospital in the night and was unable to show his hounds in the morning. No one else knew one of his hounds from the other and after several schemes for showing them had been fruitlessly discussed, everyone was much relieved when the patient himself appeared at lunch time, apparently none the worse for a wandering kidney stone.

Dog Hounds

The 13" Dog classes were taken handily by Treweryn with Merchant, Merson, and Pouncer, '58 the latter being pinned Champion in a close decision, Merson and Merchant got even, however, by winning the Couple class, while the Stallion and get class was unfortunately cancelled because of lack of competition.

A big class of Unentered Dog Hounds 15" was won by Sandanona's Warrior shown by "young entry" Lucia Wing. He is a handsome big red hound by Ch. Thornridge Wrinkles out of Hoag's Judy (Sandanona breeding), which defeated Sir Sister's Cornelius and Liseter Merry Eagle in that order. The Entered Class was won by Buckram Alarm '57 over Liseter Flame '56 and Nantucket Bunting '56, and the Stallion Class was won by that staunch old stand-by Ch. Lister Merry Rex '51. In the Championship Sandanona Warrior was placed over Buckram Alarm '57. Five different couples of 15" Dogs were shown in the Couples class and the beautifully matched Hoodwink sons Nantucket Bunting '56 and Hotspur placed over

Sandanona's Warrior and Frolic with a slight difference in size. Third were Old Chatham's Banker and Bailiff.

Bitch Division

The bitch division was larger all around (81 entries as opposed to 50). Do we produce more bitches, keep more, are we looking mainly for brood bitches, or is this an accident?

The Unentered 13" class was taken by Sir Sister's beautifully developed red and white puppy Winsome - a litter sister to Sandanona Warrior. Liseter Glide (by F.CH. Wolf Hollow Shorty) was second and Treweryn's pretty little Madcap was third.

The Entered 13" Bitch Class went to Liseter's strongly made Moonspark '57 over Treweryn's graceful and dignified Model '54, and the sturdy Buckram Bangle '58.

The Brood Bitch class was won by Liseter Cookie '56, another nice type Liseter hound by a Field Champion, this time Pleasant Run Editor. 2nd was Nantucket's Portsmouth Buttercup '55, a well-bodied bitch a trifle long, over the lighter Treweryn Model '54.

The Championship went promptly to the attractive lemon-pie Sir Sister bitch puppy Winsome over Liseter Moonspark, and the couples class went to Treweryn Model '54 and Benefit '54, extremely similar in type and behaviour, over the equally similar Liseter bitches Portsmouth Larkspur '57 and Merybelle which had a shade less quality. Buckram Bangle '58 and Alma '57 were third.

First and second in the 15" Unentered Bitch class went to Nantucket's look-alikes, Mermaid and Miszen, out of Becky Sharp's foundation dam Hoodwink '53 by Treweryn Bugler '51. Little Prospect's Nocturne, a strong workmanlike bitch, was third. The Entered 15" Bitch class was won by Buckram Alto '57, a strong, good-moving bitch over Liseter Carefree '56, a

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daughter of Merry Rex, and Buckram Delilah '57.

The substantial Liseter Lyric '57 won the 15" Brood Bitch class over Buckram Delilah '57, smaller but of nice even quality, and Old Chatham's Nantucket Hurry '57, another "little Hoodwink" was third.

The Championship was a triumph of daughter over mother going to Nantucket Mermaid, the puppy, over Liseter Lyric '57 as Nantucket Hoodwink '53, a former Grand Champion, got the gate.

Hoodwink however came back to win the Brood Bitch and Get class with Mermaid and Starlight over Liseter Lyric '57 with Glide and Merry Eagle, and Old Chatham's Nantucket Hurry '57 with Handsome and Hunter.

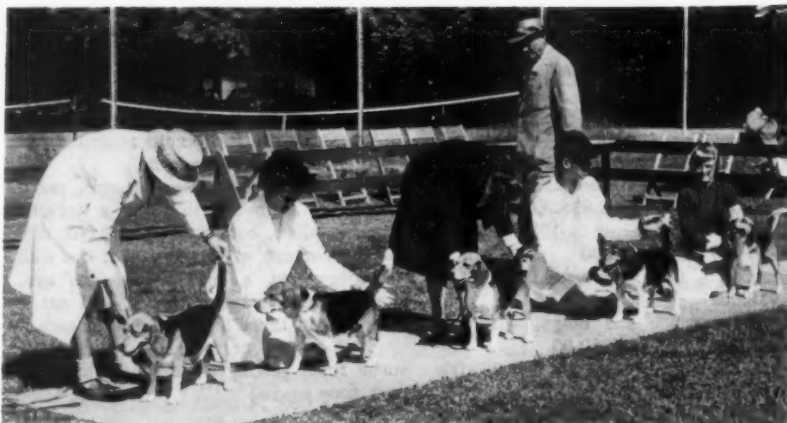
A nice class of 7 15" bitch couples went to Nantucket Starlight and Mermaid, while Liseter Carey and Carefree were second, and Buckram Alto '57 and Delilah '57 were third.

The Two Couple classes were well-filled also, a heart-warming sight. The 13" went to Sandanona's Levity '55, Lively '55, Luster '55, and Wrinkles '56, certainly beautifully matched and of nice quality over Treweryn's Model, Benefit, Pouncer, and Merchant, with plenty of quality but not quite as much similarity. Liseter's well-matched Pensive, Passion, Merrybelle, and Larkspur were third.

Six entries in the 15" division produced winners Liseter Carey, Carefree, Clover, and Connie, four peas in a pod which nosed out four other peas in a Nantucket pod Hotspur, Bunting, Mermaid, and Starlight, while third went to four handsome Old Chatham hounds, Bailiff, Banker, Hurry, and Hunter.

Sir Sister's Winsome was not eligible for the 13" National Beagle Club Challenge Cup, dog or bitch bred by exhibitor, and since only two hounds showed up for it, Treweryn Pouncer '58 was easily placed over Sandanona Laughter.

The dogs and bitches were all eligible for the 15" cup however, and in a care-



Judge John K. Cowperthwaite (in rear) in the Beagle Ring at the Bryn Mawr Hound Show. (Freudy Photo)

Friday, December 11, 1959

fully judged and closely matched class, Nantucket Mermaid was placed over Sandanona Warrior.

Grand Champion

Then came the John C. Baker Jr., Memorial Challenge Plate for the Grand Champion of either size or sex. It became apparent that the contest was to be between the red-and-white bitch Sir Sister Winsome and the Hoodwink child Nantucket Mermaid, Treweryn Pouncer not filling his inches quite as well as the former and Sandanona Warrior having been beaten by the latter. The result was the red-and-white bitch Champion, and every inch a champion as she was in beautiful shape and well-shown by Henri Prunaret, over Nantucket Mermaid, a lovely quality bitch which may fill out to be the Champion next year.

The pack class was divided into three parts, best 13" pack, best 15" pack, and the best of the two. Three 13" packs competed and Treweryn narrowly defeated Liseter and Sir Sister, while of the six 15" packs, Nantucket downed Sandanona

Liseter Dawn II '52.

Stallion Beagle, 13 inches - 1. Treweryn Pouncer '58 by Treweryn Burgess '54 - Their Duicie '56; 2. Liseter Distinction '56 by Ch. Meadow-Lark Ruffage - Liseter Dawn II '52; 3. Sir Sister Monarch '58 by Treweryn Dealer '55 - Portsmouth Molly.

Champion dog, 13 inches - 1. Treweryn Pouncer '58; 2. Merchant, The Treweryn.

Couple of dogs, 13 inches - 1. Merchant by Treweryn Melton '55 - Portsmouth Molly and Treweryn Merson '58 by Treweryn Dealer '55 - Portsmouth Molly; 2. Liseter Flicker '58 by F. Ch. Brainerd Bantom - Liseter Trinket and Liseter Distinction '56 by Ch. Meadow-Lark Ruffage - Liseter Dawn II '52.

Beagle Dogs (15 inches)

Unentered dogs, 15 inches - 1. Warrior by Ch. Thornridge Wrinkles - Hoag's Judy, The Sandanona; 2. Cornelius by Sir Sister Talent '56 - Their Cornelia '52, The Sir Sister; 3. Merry Eagle by Liseter Merry Leader '57 - Their Lyric '57, The Liseter.

Entered dogs, 15 inches - 1. Buckram Alarm '57 by Buckram Biscuit '55 - Their Alert '55; 2. Liseter Flame '56 by Liseter Famous '53 - Their Fashion '52; 3. Nantucket Bunting '56 by Treweryn Bugler '51 - Nantucket Hoodwink '53. Stallion Beagle, 15 inches - 1. Ch. Liseter Merry Rex '51 by Ch. Liseter Merry Lad '47 - Their Queen; 2. Liseter Flame '56 by Liseter Famous '53 - Their Fashion '52; 3. Buckram Bellman '55 by Ch. Chessman of Walnut Hall - Buckram Bargain '52.

Champion Dog, 15 inches - 1. Warrior by Ch. Thornridge Wrinkles - Hoag's Judy, The Sandanona; 2. Buckram Alarm '57 by Buckram Biscuit '55 - Their Alert '55.

Couple of dogs, 15 inches - 1. Nantucket Hotspur '57 by Treweryn Bugler '51 - Nantucket Hoodwink '53 and Nantucket Bunting '56 by Treweryn Bugler '51 - Nantucket

Beagle Bitches (15 inches)

Unentered bitches, 15 inches - 1. Mermaid by Treweryn Bugler '51 - Nantucket Hoodwink '53, The Nantucket; 2. Mizzen by Treweryn Bugler '51 - Nantucket Hoodwink '53, The Nantucket; 3. Nodwine by Nantucket Husky - Dresher-town Nina, The Little Prospect.

Entered bitches, 15 inches - 1. Buckram Alto '57 by Buckram Biscuit '55 - Their Alert '55; 2. Liseter Carefree '56 by Ch. Liseter Merry Rex '51 - Their Charm II '52; 3. Buckram Delilah '57 by Buckram Bellman '55 - Their Deborah '52.

Brood Bitch, 15 inches - 1. Liseter Lyric '57 by Liseter Distinction '56 - Their Merry Joy; 2. Buckram Delilah '57 by Buckram Bellman '55 - Their Deborah '52; 3. Nantucket Hurry '57 by Treweryn Bugler '51 - Nantucket Hoodwink '53.

Champion Bitch, 15 inches - 1. Mermaid, The Nantucket; 2. Liseter Lyric '57.

Brood Bitch, 15 inches, shown with 2 of her get - 1. Nantucket Hoodwink '53 by Nantucket Ruffian '43 - Their Hesperus '46; 2. Liseter Lyric '57 by Liseter Distinction '56 - Their Merry Joy; 3. Nantucket Hurry '57 by Treweryn Bugler '51 - Nantucket Hoodwink '53, The Old Chatham.

Couple of bitches, 15 inches - 1. The Nantucket; 2. The Liseter; 3. The Buckram.

Two couple of Beagles, any age, 13 inches - 1. The Sandanona; 2. The Treweryn; 3. The Liseter.

Two couple of Beagles, any age, 15 inches - 1. The Liseter; 2. The Nantucket; 3. The Old Chatham.

The National Beagle Club Challenge Cup for the Best 13 inch Beagle, Dog or Bitch - 1. Treweryn Pouncer '58; 2. Sandanona Laughter '54.

The National Beagle Club Challenge Cup for the Best 15 inch Beagle, Dog or Bitch - 1. Mermaid, The Nantucket; 2. Warrior, The Sandanona.

The John C. Baker, Jr., Memorial Challenge Plate for the Grand Champion Beagle of the Show - 1. Winsome, The Sir



Nantucket, Five Couple Beagles, Bryn Mawr winner of the 5 couples, 15" and the Sandanona Trophy with Mrs. David B. Sharp, Jr., Master and Miss Janie Knowles, Whipper-in. (Carl Klein Photo)



Champion 13" pack and also winner of the Third Vernon-Somersett Challenge Cup for the best five couples of beagles, any size, David B. Sharp, Jr. M.B. and John Todd, Whipper-in, of Treweryn Beagles. (Freudy Photo)

and Buckram. This left husband and wife facing each other across the green as Judge Cowperthwaite had to take his chances and pick one over the other. After great deliberation he placed Treweryn over Nantucket and then I think he ran for his life. But this successfully concluded the best beagle pack show since the war, 9 packs competing and 151 entries.

PLACE: Malvern, Pennsylvania.

TIME: September 11, 1959.

JUDGE: Miss Jeanne A. Millett, South Easton, Mass.

SUMMARIES:

Beagle Dogs (13 inches)

Unentered dogs, 13 inches - 1. Merchant by Treweryn Melton '55 - Portsmouth Molly, The Treweryn; 2. Bouncer by Treweryn Pouncer '58 - Portsmouth Buttercup, The Nantucket.

Entered dogs, 13 inches - 1. Treweryn Merson '58 by Treweryn Dealer '55 - Portsmouth Molly; 2. Treweryn Prophet '58 by Treweryn Burgess '54 - Their Duicie '56; 3. Liseter Distinction '56 by Ch. Meadow-Lark Ruffage -

Hoodwink '53; 2. Warrior by Ch. Thornridge Wrinkles - Hoag's Judy and Sandanona Frolic '56 by Liseter Fair Play '52 - Vernon Somerset Blotter; 3. Little Prospect Banker by Irish Terror - Sandanona Bashful and Sandanona Bailiff '57 by Treweryn Bugler '51 - Sandanona Lovely '54, The Old Chatham.

Beagle Bitches (13 inches)

Unentered bitches, 13 inches - 1. Winsome by Ch. Thornridge Wrinkles - Hoag's Judy, The Sir Sister; 2. Glide by F. Ch. Speed's Wolf Hollow Shorty - Liseter Fleet, The Liseter; 3. Madcap by Treweryn Melton '55 - Portsmouth Molly, The Treweryn.

Entered bitches, 13 inches - 1. Liseter Moonspark '57 by F. Ch. Brainerd Bantom - Liseter Moonlight; 2. Treweryn Miranda '54 by Treweryn Bugler '51 - Vernon Somerset Miranda; 3. Buckram Bangle '58 by Int. Ch. Sogo Masterpiece - Buckram Beauty '55.

Brood Bitch, 13 inches - 1. Liseter Cookie '56 by F. Ch. Pleasant Run Editor - Russell's Little Cookie; 2. Portsmouth Buttercup '55 by Treweryn Bugler '51 - Portsmouth Miss Mindy, The Nantucket; 3. Treweryn Model '54 by Treweryn Bugler '51 - Vernon Somerset Miranda.

Champion Bitch, 13 inches - 1. Winsome by Ch. Thornridge Wrinkles - Hoag's Judy, The Sir Sister; 2. Liseter Moonspark '57 by F. Ch. Brainerd Bantom - Liseter Moonlight.

Couple of bitches, 13 inches - 1. Treweryn Model '54 and Benefit; 2. Portsmouth Larkspur '57 and Merrybell, The Liseter; 3. The Buckram Bangle and Alma.

Sister; 2. Mermaid, The Nantucket.

The Second Liseter Hall Trophy for Five Couple of Beagles, 13 inches - 1. Treweryn Beagles; 2. Liseter Beagles; 3. Sir Sister Beagles.

The Sandanona Trophy for Five Couple of Beagles, 15 inches - 1. Nantucket Beagles; 2. Sandanona Beagles 3. Buckram Beagles.

Third Vernon-Somersett Challenge Cup for Five Couple of Beagles - 1. Treweryn Beagles; 2. Nantucket Beagles; 3. Liseter Beagles.

Basset Classes

"The basset entries this year were more numerous and of higher quality than ever before. Competition was very keen in most classes and an analysis of the results proves to be most complimentary to the consistency of the judging, so efficiently and pleasantly accomplished by Mrs. Hickman of Baltimore, Md.

Charlie Rogers' Timber Ridge Bassets took the S. Leonard Kent, Jr., Memorial

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National Beagle Club 70th Annual Field Trial

A. William Battin

The 70th Annual National Beagle Club Field Trial for Packs held November 12th to 15th at the Institute Farm, Aldie, Virginia was one of the largest and most successful trials held in a number of years.

The success of this year's trial was due in part to a large clearing program which has been carried out this year under the guidance of the President Mr. C. Oliver Iselin, Jr. and Mr. John Cowperthwaite. Members of the Club have underwritten and spent about \$25,000 and have cleared 123 acres of the total of 507 acres; this opens approximately 300 acres to Field Trial use. The property had deteriorated over the last 50 years, pine trees had taken over and the grounds had become unsuitable for Trials; also we no longer could keep game on the ground for lack of feed.

The program was carried out under the Northern Virginia Soil Conservation District which is part of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service. Mr. L. W. King of Leesburg, Virginia was in charge of the supervision and did a splendid job.

The property was first cleared, disked and then tested for lime and fertilizer needs. Approximately 500 pounds per acre of lime was used and this was placed where needed as indicated by the tests. 800 pounds per acre of fertilizer was applied to all cleared ground.

Under Mr. King's supervision the following seeds were planted: Sericea Lespedeza, Fescue, Alsike Clover, Ladino Clover, Alfalfa, and Shrub Lespedeza. This planting was done according to contour and soil analysis for the purpose of attracting and feeding rabbits.

Enthusiasm at the beginning of the trial was great. The results of clearing were immediately apparent - an ample supply of rabbits was available. The First class was the Two Couple 13 Inch Class, 12 entries were made which geographically covered a large area and included packs from Liseter of Newtown Square, Pa.; Nantucket from Nantucket, Mass; Wolver from Middleburg, Virginia; Sandanona

from Millbrook, N.Y.; Treweryn from Berwyn, Pa.; Tower Hill from Boston, Mass.; Sir Sister from Natick, Mass.; Noanet from Dover, Mass.; North Country from Metamora, Michigan and Buckram from Long Island, N. Y.

Liseter drew first pack down and at 8 A.M. a large enthusiastic gallery left the kennels following Liseter Beagles under the guidance of Mrs. Jean A. du Pont, everyone eager to see the cleared grounds, supply of rabbits and how they ran. The first pack down had a long and terrific run across two fields with a wide circle covering a lot of ground. After 11



Nantucket MERMAID, winner of class 121, Beagle Champion Bitch, 15" and class 127, Best 15" Beagle Dog or Bitch for the National Beagle Club Challenge Cup, at the Bryn Mawr Hound Show. The champion was shown by Miss Margaret Bullitt. (Carl Klein Photo)

other good hunts with reasonably good scenting conditions the first pack down was the top pack and Liseter Won the 13 - Inch two couple pack class. The pack was composed of Liseter Moonspark, Liseter Fiddle, Bara Dona Winnie, Portsmouth Larkspur. The huntsman was Paul Andrien.

Second place went to Treweryn composed of Pouncer, winner of the Stallion

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hound class at Bryn Mawr, 1959 Show and Champion 13 inch hound there, with Model and Benefit, two times winners at Bryn Mawr as a couple of Bitches, and Merrylass.

Third place was awarded to Nantucket composed of Shiela, Strumpet, Jazman and Bouncer. Reserve to Buckram Beagles.

The Fifteen Inch Two Couple Class was next with 15 entries and included entries from all the 13 inch class, plus Old Chatham from Kinderhook, N.Y. and Rocky Fork from Columbus, Ohio. This class ran into bad scenting conditions, but a good supply of rabbits led to some very interesting hunts.

A close contest developed between Rocky Fork and Nantucket. Both packs had outstanding hunts, with Rocky Fork getting the edge over Nantucket by the small margin of one point. This was Rocky Fork's first appearance at the Trials and hounds were ably handled by Mr. Morton B. Curley, M.B. The hounds are all descendants from Treweryn Bender whose breeding goes back to the well remembered Treweryn Forger.

Second place went to Nantucket, composed of Rascal, Hotspur, Hornet and Sailer, 3rd to Old Chatham and reserve to Wolver.

The National Challenge Cup open to packs of the 13 and 15 inch classes who have placed 1st, 2nd, or third and is judged on the merits of 50% Bench - 50% Field, was won by Nantucket 15 Inch Pack. Old Chatham 15" was second in total of points for the National Cup Treweryn 13" third, Rocky Fork 15" fourth.

The Four Couple Class had an excellent entry of 15 packs. Scent was still poor with overcast sky, rabbits did not go into the open very often, and the competition was really tough.

Old Chatham placed first with an excellent close hunt on a rabbit that refused to run very far from brush piles. The hounds worked very close in and out of the brush piles under the capable guidance of Albert Callan, M.B. This pack included a recent draft of three couple of hounds from Treweryn.

Second place went to Mrs. du Pont's Liseter Beagles and third to Morgan Wing's Sandanona Beagles. Reserve to Nantucket.

The John C. Baker, Jr. Challenge Trophy which is awarded to the best four couple pack, 50% Bench and 50% Field was won by Sandanona Beagles for the fourth win in eight years. Second was Old Chatham and third Nantucket.

In pack trials the most sought after and coveted win is the Watchman Cup for eight Couple Packs, which is the most colorful class of the pack trials. This year it drew 7 packs, one each from Old Chatham, North Country, Treweryn, Sir Sister, Liseter, Nantucket and Sandanona.

The Eight Couple Class this year was run on the rolling green pastures of Mrs.

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Russell's, located a short distance from the Institute property. Rabbits are brave open runners here and scattered patches of briars and cover furnish an ideal place for the eight couple packs. Scenting conditions were excellent and the weather clear; many old timers said this was the best eight couple class in over 20 years.

The Nantucket Beagles hunted by their Master Mrs. David B. Sharp, Jr., and with Janie Knowles, John Todd and Dick Thompson as Whippers-In had a terrific hunt ending in a long drive covering both sides of the saddle of a long steep hill and ending in a drive to a kill in the open. This pack was awarded first place for the second time in a row, and a deserving win it was. Last year's eight couple was won in very poor scenting conditions. Six couple of this winning pack are out of Nantucket Hoodwink by Treweryn Bugler.

Second place went to Old Chatham and third to Treweryn Beagles, Reserve Sir Sister.

The Sir Sister Cup, awarded each year to the highest scored pack in any of the pack classes in the field, was this year awarded to Nantucket Beagles, Eight Couple Pack. This is an honored win, for seldom does the eight couple pack score higher than smaller packs. Reserve in the Sir Sister Cup was awarded to Rocky Fork Two Couple 15 Inch Pack.

The Minstrel Plate for the 13 Inch 3 hour stake was held Sunday morning on the Clifford Bowl, a large bowl shaped area adjoining the Trial Grounds. This area is an ideal place for small packs and affords a good view for the gallery without interfering with the hound running. The weather had turned cold and clear, scent was good and rabbits plentiful. This combined pack was hunted by Albert Callan, M.B. Old Chatham Beagles and he did an excellent job handling 13 individual hounds that had never been hunted together before. After over 2 1/2 hours, by which time the judges had weeded the pack down to hounds, first place was given to Treweryn Pouncer. This good little steady hound is a dual purpose bench and field hound, he being a Bryn Mawr Hound Show Champion; this makes the second time that a Bryn Mawr Champion has won the 3 hour stake. Pouncer is by Treweryn Burgess out of Treweryn Dulcie. Second place in this stake went to Treweryn Benefit and Third to Liseter Moonspark, Reserve to Sandanona Jingle.

The Treweryn Forger Cup or 15 inch 3 hour stake was the next event. At the start of this, the last field event for packs, competition for the R. P. W. Harrison Memorial Trophy awarded for the highest total scored pack was very close, with Treweryn having a total of 24 points, Old Chatham 23, Nantucket 23 and Liseter 20. Each of these packs had entries in the 15 inch stake.

Twenty hounds went down in the 15 inch stake hunted by Robert M. Scott, Huntsman for Treweryn Beagles. Bobby did a won-

derful job; hounds were down over 3 1/2 hours and needed a lot of capable handling and rabbits to settle them. After careful elimination by the judges first place was given to Noanet Newsmen, 2nd place to Sandanona's Waldingfield Bridget, 3rd to Buckram Bishop and Reserve to Rocky Fork Bellman.

As the results of the 15 inch stake did not alter the total scores of the first four packs for the Harrison Memorial, first place went to Treweryn with total of 24 points, Old Chatham and Nantucket were tied with 23 points and Liseter next with 20 points.

Results of the Bench show the Liseter Plate, awarded to 13 inch Beagle dog or bitch, went to Sir Sister Winsome, grand champion at Bryn Mawr, 1959. Reserve to Liseter Moonspark. Winsome is by Thornridge Wrinkles out Hoage's Judy and Moonspark is by Moonlite out of Brainard's Bantom.

The Turnbull Cup for the best 15 inch Beagle dog or bitch went to Treweryn Dulcie who is by Treweryn Bugler out of Vernon Somerset Dora. Second place went



TREWERYN POUNCER, champion 13" dog at the Bryn Mawr Hound Show and also winner of the National Beagle Club Challenge Cup for the best 13" beagle, dog or bitch bred and owned by exhibitor. David B. Sharp, Jr., M. B. is showing the champion. (Freudy Photo)

to Treweryn Miser who is by Treweryn Melton out of Treweryn Molly.

The Pack trials were very capably judged by Mr. John K. Cowperthwaite of Far Hills, N. J. and Mr. John S. Brice of Bedford, Pa. Long hours in the saddle and much effort is put forth to judge all these packs in four days over varied scenting conditions and these two gentlemen deserve much credit for a job well done.

The Bassets

A fast growing division of the National Beagle Club, active both in show and field, are the Bassets. The 70th Annual Trial this year had the record number of 6 packs

of Bassets including Skycastle from Chester Springs, Pa., hunted by Mrs. Elizabeth Streeter; Poona from Millbrook, New York, hunted by Kent Leavitt; Somerset Bassets of Somerset, Virginia whose Master is Mrs. James Andrews; Timber Ridge Bassets from Hampstead, Maryland under guidance of their Master Mr. & Mrs. Charles Rogers; Tewksbury Bassets from Far Hills, New Jersey under the guidance of their Joint Master Jimmy Jones; and Bridlespur Bassets from St. Louis, Missouri whose Master is Mr. Clarkson Carpenter. This was the first visit of Skycastle and Bridlespur to the field Trials. Special commendation should be extended to Bridlespur of St. Louis for the effort in coming the longest distance of either Beagles or Bassets.

The Bassets were run in two couple classes and 4 couples class at Mrs. Russell's farm on Friday, competing with the Beagle trials. Enthusiasm and interest in the Bassets brought a majority of the gallery from the Beagles over to watch the Bassets. They got their money's worth for they had good running rabbits and fairly good scent whereas the Beagles were having hard going on the Institute Property.

Skycastle won the Two Couple Bassets with a good hard working 2 couple of hounds; they found a good rabbit and drove and worked her for over 10 minutes without any handling. Second was Tewksbury whose Huntsman Jimmy Jones gave us an excellent show of handling a pack of hounds. Third was Poona, reserve Timber Ridge.

The 4 couple class was inspiring with good hunts by all, their deep voices giving a thrill to the gallery. It was real interesting. The Bassets drove through the briars and showed both speed and stamina. Somerset won this class, finding their rabbit, driving over a large circle of the grounds, into adjoining property and down a long valley, forcing the judges to dismount and to follow on foot. The hounds, unassisted as their huntsman was left far afield, drove their rabbit to a mark in a bank almost half a mile from the grounds. They were so close a blanket could have covered them and worked hard by themselves with good drive.

Second place went to Tewksbury with another hard drive that gave everyone a good show with hard work by the Huntsman. Mini Rogers hunted the Timber Ridge Bassets for her husband and gained third place. Reserve went to Poona.

The Bassets were judged by Mrs. Joseph B. Conolly, wife of Dr. Joseph Conolly, Master of Buckram Beagles, and A. William Battin, both being new at the job. Our thought on judging was that it is a real education to watch different Masters work and handle their hounds. If more people would watch the various packs more closely as they participate in the trials and score them themselves, better handling of hounds and more interest would

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Irish Beagle Show

Stanislaus Lynch

The Annual Beagle Show organized by the Irish Masters of Beagles Association was held in the Hound Pavilion, at Clonmel Show Grounds on Saturday, July 18. This was the biggest entry since the show was inaugurated in 1950.

The Wellfort Beagles, Cos. Offaly and Galway, had a field day as they collected most of the 1st prizes. To crown a wonderful day the Wellfort won the Doghound Championship with Jasper '59 and the Bitch Championship with Mermaid '58.

Jasper is by Champion '56 out of Sable '54 and was bred by the Master, Miss Doreen D'Arcy. Jasper and his brother Jester won the Corduff Challenge Cup for the best couple of Doghounds of any age.

Mermaid by Charmer '56, out of Bashful '55 was also bred by the Master Miss Doreen D'Arcy and won the Day, Son & Hewitt Cup for the best entered bitch and was one of the couple which won the cup for the best couple of bitches and was also in the group which won a third cup for the best two couples of bitches.

The judges were Sir Newton Rycroft, Bart. Master of the Dummer Beagles in England and J. O. C. Beazley, Master of the Cheshire Beagles. Both were enamoured by the Champion Bitch, Mermaid, a lovely Black & Tan. They said she was the type they would like to breed.

The general standard of the doghounds was disappointing and one of the judges considered that most of the hounds exhibited lacked the quality of previous shows at Clonmel and would have stood a very poor chance at Aldershot or any of the other Beagle Shows in England.

The all-round quality of the bitches was far superior to that of the doghounds and was up to the best standards associated with Clonmel.

After the judging, Sir Newton Rycroft and Mr. Beazley gave a short talk which was informative and instructive, especially to Masters of recently started packs. They said that while good scenting powers and good cry were excellent attributes in any hound, the main concern was that the bone structure should be as nearly correct as possible. Well shaped hounds with good sloping shoulders, short coupled backs and well let-down gaskins were absolutely

essential if they were expected to run fast, work hard and negotiate fences during a long run.

In class 8, when the big entry of brood bitches had been reduced to a final five or six, one of the judges, Sir Newton Rycroft very sportingly withdrew from the judging ring as he said that some of the hounds in the final selection had been bred in his own kennels and he left the presentation of the rosettes to his fellow judge. This truly gentlemanly gesture could well provide an excellent object lesson for other judges at shows and gymkhanas in Ireland.

Hounds from the following packs participated: Oakfield (Cos. Limerick and Clare); Corduff (Co. Dublin); Cashel (Co. Tipperary); Holy-Cross (Co. Tipperary);



Champion Beagle of the Bryn Mawr Hound Show, winner of the John C. Baker, Jr. Memorial Trophy. Sir Sister's WINSOME, shown by Mrs. Henri Prunaret, Whipper-in and wife of the Master. (Freudy Photo)

Adare Foot (Co. Limerick); Kilfeacle (Co. Tipperary); Wellfort (Cos. Offaly and Galway); Goldburn (Cos. Dublin & Meath); Waterford; Maryboro Foot (Co. Cork); Curragh Foot (Co. Kildare); Ardfinnan (Co. Tipperary); Gorey and District (Co. Wexford); Middleton Foot (Co. Cork); and Tal-low Foot (Co. Waterford).

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SUMMARIES:

Doghounds, Challenge Cup for the best unentered doghounds - 1. Wellfort, Jasper; 2. Holy-Cross, Nicodemus; 3. Goldburn Warrior.

Challenge Cup for the best entered doghound - 1. Kilfeacle Smokey; 2. Holy-Cross, Marquiss; 3. Holy-Cross, Manila.

Cup for best stallion hound being not less than a two season hunter, and certified to be the sire of living puppies - 1. Maryboro Foot Marcus; 2. Holy-Cross, Actor; 3. Goldburn Blatant.

The Corduff Challenge Cup for the best couple of doghounds of any age - 1. Wellfort, Jasper and Jester; 2. Goldburn, Blatant and Bouyant; 3. Kilfeacle Smokey and Risky. Doghound Championship for the best doghound exhibited in any of the classes - 1. Wellfort Jasper '59; 2. Kilfeacle Smokey.

"Comhrannh Chiceam" - A Perpetual Challenge Trophy presented by the officers of the 13th Battalion, Southern Command, for the best unentered bitch - 1. Middleton Foot, Fickle; 2. Goldburn Damsel.

Cup for the best entered bitch - 1. Wellfort Mermaid '58; 2. Holy-Cross, Lilac '57; 3. Goldburn, Wonderful '57.

Challenge Cup for the best brood bitch, being not less than a two season hunter and certified to be the dam of living puppies - 1. Holy-Cross, Fairy '53; 2. Maryboro Foot Harebell '57; 3. Waterford Cobweb '54 A.

Challenge Cup for the best couple of bitches of any age - 1. Wellfort, Patience and Mermaid; 2. Holy-Cross, Lilac and Linnet; 3. Middleton Foot, Chloe and Crystal.

Cup for the best two couple of bitches of any age - 1. Wellfort, Patience, Mermaid, Madam and Merrymaid; 2. Holy-Cross, Lilac, Linnet, Lapwing and Nina; 3. Holy-Cross, Chafer, Fairy, Gaylass and Narina.

Bitch Championship Cup for the best bitch exhibited in any of the classes - 1. Wellfort, Mermaid '58; 2. Middleton Foot, Fickle '59A.

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result. It is amazing how many good packs are hindered by their Huntsmen, both Beagles and Bassets.

JUDGES (Beagles): John S. Brice, John K. Cowperthwaite.

Foxcatcher Plate, 13 inch, two couple (13 packs) - 1. Liseter, Mrs. J. Austin du Pont; 2. Trewern, Trewern Beagles; 3. Nantucket, Mrs. David B. Sharp, Jr.; Res. Buckram, Buckram Beagles.

Wheatly Frantic Cup, 15 inch, two couple (14 packs) - 1. Rocky Fork, Rocky Fork Beagles; 2. Nantucket, Mrs. David B. Sharp, Jr.; 3. Old Chatham, Old Chatham Hunt Beagles; Res. Wolver, C. Oliver Iselin, Jr.

Somerset Challenge Cup, four couple (14 packs) - 1. Old Chatham, Old Chatham Hunt Beagles; 2. Liseter, Mrs. J. Austin du Pont; 3. Sandanona, Morgan Wing, Jr.; Res. Nantucket, Mrs. David B. Sharp, Jr.

Watchman Cup, eight couple (7 packs) - 1. Nantucket, Mrs. David B. Sharp, Jr.; 2. Old Chatham, Old Chatham Hunt Beagles; 3. Trewern, Trewern Beagles; Res. Sir Sister, Sir Sister Beagles.

Minstrel Cup, 13 inch, three hour stake (13 entries), Huntsman - Albert S. Callan, Jr. - 1. Trewern Pouncer, Trewern Beagles; 2. Trewern Benefit, Trewern Beagles; 3. Liseter Moonspark Mrs. J. Austin du Pont; Res. Sandanona Jingle, Morgan Wing, Jr.

Trewern Forger Cup, 15 inch, three hour stake (20 entries), Huntsman - Robert M. Scott - 1. Noanet Newsman, Mr. & Mrs. John Grew; 2. Sandanona's Waddingfield Bridget, Morgan Wing, Jr.; 3. Buckram Bishop, Buckram Beagles; Res. Rocky Fork Bellman, Rocky Fork Beagles.

JUDGES (Bassets): Mrs. Joseph B. Conolly, Jr., William A. Batten.

Bohemia River Plate, Bassets, two couple (6 packs) - 1. Skycastle, John Streeter; 2. Tewksbury, Tewksbury Bassets; 3. Poona, Kent Leavitt.

Thornwood Plate, Bassets, four couple (6 packs) - 1. Somerset, Mrs. J. N. Andrews, Jr.; 2. Tewksbury, Tewksbury Bassets; 3. Timber Ridge, Charles R. Rogers.

JUDGES (Show Awards): John K. Cowperthwaite, Robin Walker.

Liseter Plate, best 13-inch Beagle - 1. Sir Sister Winsome; Res. Liseter Moonspark.

National Challenge Cup, two couple packs, Field Work 50%, Show Qualities 50% - 1. Nantucket, 15-inch; Res. Old Chatham, 15-inch.

Turnbull Cup, best 15-inch Beagle - 1. Trewern Dulcie; Res. Trewern Miser.

John C. Baker Plate, four couple packs, Field Work 50%, Show Qualities 50% - 1. Sandanona; Res. Old Chatham.

Sir Sister Cup, Highest Scored Pack in the Field - 1. Nantucket Eight Couple; Res. Rocky Fork, 15-inch Two Couples.

Robert P. W. Harrison Memorial Trophy, highest total scored pack in the field - 1. Trewern, 24 pts.; 2. Old Chatham, 23; Nantucket, 23; 3. Liseter, 20.



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FOREWORD

Morgan Wing, Jr.

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Our registered packs consist of seventeen packs of beagles and seven packs of bassets. The Pemberton Beagles and Royal Canadian School of Infantry Beagles are no longer active. However, while the year records two less registered packs, we can report good news as we have applications for registration from two packs in the vicinity of Cleveland and one in the vicinity of the Radnor Hunt, Pennsylvania.

The basset packs have again increased their numbers to a new record total of seven packs with the recent recognition of the Bridlespur Bassets, St. Louis, Mo.

The Bryn Mawr Hound Show and the Litchfield County Hound Show, the pack trials at Gladstone, National, and Bay State had record entries this past year. The basset entries at the National at Aldie increased to six packs in both the two couple and four couple classes compared to two packs competing heretofore.

It is hoped that the packs will inform their members of the activities of the National Beagle Club and suggest membership. The National Beagle Club does a great deal to promote the sport of beagling with packs and needs the support of all beaglers.



BLOOMFIELD BEAGLES
Long Lake Road,
Bloomfield Hills, Michigan
Established 1954

Subscription pack. Hunt livery and colors: Green, collar russet piped with orange. Evening - green, orange lapels, back collar russet. Master: G. Fred Morris. Whipper-in (professional): Richard Klamaras. Hon. Whipper-in: C. H. Pierce, Jr. Kennel Huntsman: Frank Farro. Hon. Secretary: Frederick Reynolds, 4105 Beech Road, Birmingham, Michigan. Tel. no. Midwest 4-0166.

Ten couples 13-15 inch beagles. Hunting cottontail rabbits and jack rabbits each Sunday October - March 31st. Bye days during week Wednesday or Thursday. Pack was organized in 1954 by the late Gordon F. Hess as a personal pack.

BRIDLESPUR BASSETS
Defiance, Mo.
Established 1948

Subscription pack. Hunt livery and colors: Green, collar robins egg blue, scarlet piping. Masters and Huntsmen: Clarkson Carpenter and Samuel W. Mitchell. Hon. Whippers-in: Mrs. John Stevenson and Mrs. Jane Pettus. Secretary: Mrs. G. Peter Nagel, 7840 Greens Felder Lane, Claytons, Mo.

Seven couples bassets. Hounds hunt October through March, the country of the Bridlespur Hunt. Visitors welcome.

BUCKRAM BEAGLES
Upper Brookville,
L. L., New York
Established 1934

Subscription pack. Owned by the members; others may subscribe by invitation of the committee. Hunt livery and colors: green, gray collar; evening - green, gray silk facings. Master: Joseph B. Conolly, Jr. Huntsman: the Master. Secretary: J. Oelsner. Hon. Whippers-in: Beth Cocks, Mimi Cocks, Anne D. Conolly, Barbara H. Conolly, Charles D. Corcoran, Michael Quinlan and Sarah Glenn.

Fifteen couples 13 and 15-inch beagles. Hunt hare and cottontails October to end of March, Sundays, Wednesdays and holidays and informally on Saturdays. Telephone Mayfair 6-0682. Visitors welcome.

Country hunted about 15 by 10 miles, rolling, open, plough and much woodland.

Former Masters: Edward M. Ward, Jr. 1934-1935; Henry B. Thompson, Jr. 1936-1937; John C. Baker, Jr. and Morgan Wing, Jr., 1938-1948; John C. Baker, Jr., 1948-1952; J. Wooderson Glenn 1953-1958.

ELLSON BEAGLES
Easton,
Maryland
Established 1946

Private pack. Hunt livery and colors: Green, light brown collar. Master: (1946) Paul E. Wilson. Huntsman: The Master. Honorary Whipper-in: Margaret Wilson.

Seven couples Beagles under 13 inch. Hounds hunt cottontail rabbits at Master's convenience.

Country hunted is farmland between Easton and Oxford, Maryland. Telephone: Easton 2046.

LIGONIER VALLEY BEAGLES
Ligonier,
Pennsylvania
Established 1954

Private pack. Hunt livery and colors: Green, blue collar. Master and Huntsman: George C. Clement, Honorary Secretary and Whippers-in: David C. Burton, Mrs. L. W. Bughman, Mrs. George C. Clement.

Eight couples 13 and 15-inch beagles. Hunt cottontail rabbits October through March. Kennels at Rolling Rock Club, Ligonier. Telephone: Ligonier, BE 8-4296. Visitors welcome.

The country hunted is the same as hunted by the Rolling Rock Hunt.

LISETER BEAGLES
Newton Square,
Pennsylvania
Established 1928

Private pack. Hunt livery and colors: Green, dark blue collar, light blue piping. Masters: Mrs. J. Austin duPont and John E. duPont. Kennel Huntsman: Paul Andrien.

Twenty couples 13 in, and 15 inch beagles. Hunt cottontail rabbits at Master's convenience. Telephone Elgin 6-1684.

LITTLE ELK BEAGLES

Fair Hill,
Maryland
Established 1949

Private pack. Hunt livery and colors: Green, russet collar. Master: Carl A. Robinson. Whippers-in (honorary) Janet Robinson, Carol Robinson, Jay Robinson.

Six couples 13 and 15 inch beagles. Hunting September through March. Hounds meet on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays at the convenience of the Master. Visitors welcome. Hounds hunt on western hare and cottontail rabbits in the country of the Foxcatcher Hounds by courtesy of the Master; on European hare in country near Jobstown, New Jersey.

LITTLE PROSPECT FOOT BEAGLES

Spring House,
Pennsylvania
Established 1952

Private Pack. Hunt livery and colors: Green, robin's egg blue collar with black piping. Masters: Mr. and Mrs. Anthony N. B. Garvan. Huntsman: Anthony N. B. Garvan. Honorary Secretary: F. Markoe Rivinus, Jr., 131 W. Rex Ave., Telephone Chestnut Hill 7-8163. Whippers-in (honorary): Willis Rivinus, F. Markoe Rivinus, George Woolley, Jr., Leslie Byrnes. Junior Whippers-in: Mary Jane Garvan, Kathleen Garvan, Benjamin Blaney.

Seventeen couples 15 inch beagles. Hunt hare, cottontail and fox September to April 1. Thursdays, Sundays and holidays. Country generally level with a few steep ridges. Centers Plymouth Meeting. Whitmarsh, Ambler, Doylestown.

NANTUCKET BEAGLES

West Chester, R.D. 2,
Pennsylvania
Established 1926

Private pack. Hunt livery and colors: green, maroon collar with white piping. Master and Huntsman: Mrs. David B. Sharp, Jr. Hon. Whippers-in: Miss Margaret Bullitt and Miss Jessie Knowles. Kennel Huntsman: David Sharp, III.

Ten Couples 13 and 15 inch beagles. Hunt jack rabbit June through August on Nantucket Island, Massachusetts. Kennels during other months at Exton, Pennsylvania. Pack originally known as Nantucket Harriers.

NOANET BEAGLES

Farm Street,
Dover, Mass.
Established 1952

Private pack. Hunt livery and colors: green, black collar with red piping. Masters: Mr. and Mrs. John Grew. Hon. Whippers-in: E. McGregor Strauss and John Grew, Jr. Junior Whippers-in: Carol Lyman, Howard Pike, and David Lewis, Jr. Hon. Secretary: John Grew, telephone State 5-0141. Kennel Huntsman: Elizabeth Campbell.

Ten couples 13 and 15 inch beagles. Hunted on week ends November to April. Hunt cottontail rabbits.

Country consists of woodlands, swamps and uncultivated fields in Dover. Meets also held in Newport, Rhode Island, where country is more open with grassland.

NORTH COUNTRY BEAGLES

Metamora,
Michigan
Established 1953

Subscription pack Hunt livery: Green, with gold collar and black piping. Master and Huntsman: Charles K. Backus. Whippers-in (honorary): Jon Frost, Dean Bedford, Jr., Emory W. Clark, II, William R. Clark, Jr., Miss Ruth Sweezey. Junior Whippers-in: Joseph Backus, Julian Backus, Henry Buick.

Fifteen couples 13 and 15 inch beagles. Hunt cottontail and jackrabbits in Metamora Hunt country, Sundays and bye days, October through April. Visitors welcome. Kennels located on Casey Road, one quarter mile west of Hosner Road, near Thornville, Mich.

OLD CHATHAM HUNT FOOT BEAGLES

Old Chatham,
New York
Established 1953

Subscription Pack. Affiliated with Old Chatham Hunt Club. Hunt Livery and Colors: Green with Cavalry yellow collar and green piping. Joint Masters: Albert S. Callan, Jr., Mrs. Henry N. Gammack. Huntsman: Albert S. Callan, Jr. Whippers-in (Honorary) Currently: John S. Williams Jr., Richard Cook, Mayo Snyder, Mrs. Bernard Brennan, Wordan Williams, Peter Kelly, Thomas Kelly. Field Master: Mrs. Henry N. Gammack. Chairman Hunt Committee: Thomas H. Quinn.

Twelve couple of 13 and 15 inch pack beagles. Kennels at Kinderhook, N. Y., and West Ghent, N. Y. Hunt cottontail rabbits and hare Sunday afternoons and Holidays, October to April. Country is rolling farms and woodlands. Visitors are welcome. Address Mrs. Henry N. Gammack, Kinderhook, New York Tel. Murdock 4-2181.

Former Masters: Capt. Sydney Smith (1952); Orland A. Johnson (1953).

POONA BASSETS

Millbrook,
New York
Established 1954

Private pack. Hunt livery and colors: Barclay gold, russet collar. Master: Kent Leavitt. Whipper-in (honorary): Mrs. Kent Leavitt.

Eight couples Bassets. Hounds meet at the convenience of the Master - most frequently on Saturday afternoons, September through March. Hounds hunt cottontail rabbits and hare. Telephone Or 7-9622 Millbrook.

RAYNHAM BEAGLES

Raynham Hall,
Kewwick, Virginia
Established 1948

Private pack. Hunt livery and colors: Green, collar same. Master: Mrs. Edward H. Carle. Honorary Secretary: Edward H. Carle. Huntsman: The Master. Kennel Huntsman and First Whipper-in (professional): C. Hughes. Second Whipper-in (honorary): Jake Carle.



Eleven and one half couples 15 inch beagles. Kennels at Keswick, Virginia. Season about September 1st to April 1st, generally three days a week. Hunt cottontail rabbits. Telephone: Charlottesville 3-0292.

The country hunted is the Keswick by permission of the Master.

ROCKY FORK BEAGLES

5720 Shull Road,
Gahanna, Ohio
Established 1954

Subscription pack. Hunt livery and colors: Green, gentian collar with light blue piping. Master: Morton B. Curley. Huntsmen: Morton B. Curley, Dr. Craig DeLong, Hon. Whippers-in: Daniel Howland and R. G. McCaskey. Hon. Secretary: Mrs. James H. Heagst. Field Master: John N. Ferguson.

Ten couples, 13 - 15 inch beagles. Hunt Sunday afternoons, middle of September through March. Country hunted is approximately 6 miles by 12 miles in the Rocky Fork country adjacent to the village of Gahanna, Ohio.

SANDANONA BEAGLES

Millbrook,
New York
Established 1948

Subscription pack. Hunt livery and colors: Green, yellow collar with grey piping; evening - green, yellow silk facings with grey piping. Masters: Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Wing, Jr. Honorary Secretary: Roger A. Young. Whippers-in: Harry E. Richter, E. Gordon MacKenzie, Richard Small, Marie Anspach and Oakleigh B. Thorne. Chairman Hunt Committee: Oakleigh B. Thorne.

Eighteen couples 13 and 15 inch beagles. Hunt native brown hare and cottontail rabbits Sundays and holidays October through March. Kennels at Millbrook. Telephone Or 7-3337 and Or 7-5783, Millbrook. Visitors welcome. Country is rolling farm and woodland.

SIR SISTER BEAGLES

Natick
Massachusetts
Established 1903

Private pack. Hunt livery and colors: Green coat, scarlet collar; evening - green coat, scarlet collar, white waistcoat with hunt buttons. Joint Masters: Mr. and Mrs. Henri Prunaret. Honorary Secretary: Richardson Harwood. Huntsmen: The Masters. Honorary Whippers-in: Mr. Roger Williams, Mr. Charles G. Rice, Jr.

Fifteen couples 13 and 15 inch beagles. Kennels at Natick, Massachusetts. Hounds hunt cottontail rabbits October through March. Essex county fixtures through the courtesy of the Master of Myopia. Middlesex County at the invitation of the Master. Telephone: Olympic 3-2231. Former Master: Chetwood Smith (1903-1952).

SKYCASTLE BASSETS

Chester Springs,
Pennsylvania
Established 1949.

Private pack. Hunt livery and colors: Green, crimson collar. Master and Huntsman: John W. Stroeter. Whippers-in (professional): Frank Reed, Clarence L. Ritterbaugh. Kennel Huntsman: Frank Reed.

Seven couples bassets. Hounds hunt cottontail rabbits October through March. Visitors welcome. Telephone: Chester Springs 5621.

SOMERSET BASSETS

Waverly Farm,
Somerset, Virginia
Established 1957

Private pack. Hunt livery and colors: Green, yellow collar with purple piping. Master: Mrs. J. N. Andrews, Jr. Huntsman: The Master. Kennel Huntsman and First Whipper-in: Melvin Johnson (professional). Hon. Whippers-in: Mrs. Johnson Smith and R. Donald Worth.

The country hunted is the Montpelier, by permission of the Master.

Five couples Bassets going out at the convenience of the Master, most usually Sunday afternoons. Visitors welcome. Telephone Orange, Va. 7512.

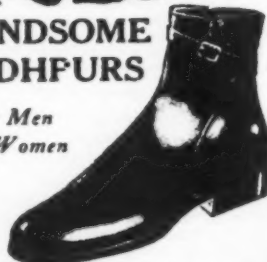
Mrs. John Grew with her winning Noanet Four-Couple which won the Sir Sister Cup for the Pack having the highest score at the Bay State Pack Trials. Howard Pike is whipping-in. (Reynolds Photo)

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The Rocky Fork (Ohio) Beagle Pack. Morton B. Curley, Master, is at the right and Daniel Howland, Whipper-in at the left. (Ralph Crane Photos)

STOCKFORD BASSETS
Fairville,
Pennsylvania.
Established 1932

Private pack. Supported by the Master, Hunt livery and colors: Green collar with gold piping. Master and Huntsman: (1932) Alfred E. Bissell. Kennels near Chadds Ford, Pennsylvania.

Ten couples Bassets. Cubbing starts in August. Hunting October 15th to March 15th. Hounds meet at the convenience of the Master. Telephone: Wilmington, Del. Olympia 4-5028.

Country hunted is within a radius of 3 miles of the kennels. It is a rolling country, consisting in the main of farmland with some woods.

TEWKSBURY FOOT BASSETS
Far Hills,
New Jersey
Established 1950
Recognized 1953

Subscription pack. Hunt livery: Green coat, robins egg blue collar, black buttons engraved T.F.B., Navy blue stockings. Chairman Hunt Committee: James J. Casey. Joint Masters: Haliburton Fales, II, James S. Jones. Field Master: John Eyre. Secretary: Mrs. James J. Casey. Peapack, N. J. Treasurer: Richard Hull. Huntsman: The Joint Masters. Whippers-in (Honorary): Miss Margaret Wemple, Richard Hull, John Ike, James Peale, Clifford Starrett, Col. D. W. Thackeray, Mrs. H. B. Cannon, and Betsey Borman. Kennelman: L. Zamorski.

21 1/2 couples of bassets, the property of the country, title being vested in three Trustees for the Hounds, Hunt native European hare and jack rabbits in Somerset and Hunterdon Counties. Sundays and holidays - October through March. Kennels: Pottersville, N.J. Area, formerly hunted by Vernon - Somerset Beagles and Whiteoaks Foot Beagles, comprises a portion of the country of the Essex Fox Hounds. Visitors welcome. No cap. Telephone: Peapack 8-0145.

TIMBER RIDGE BASSETS
Hampstead,
Maryland
Established 1946

Private pack, owned by the Master and supported by subscription. Hunt livery and colors: Green with old gold collar and infantry blue piping, evening dress - Green coat, infantry blue piping around collar, old gold facings. Master: Charles R. Rogers. Timber Ridge Farm, Hampstead, Maryland. Telephone: Hampstead 5191. Field Master: Anthony E. Bishop. Honorary Secretary: S. Kirk Millsapugh. Huntsman: Mrs. Charles R. Rogers. Whippers-in: A. Preston Kelly, Mrs. John Bayley, Robin Walker, Elwood Boblits.

Fourteen couples bassets. Hunt cottontails, Kansas jack, and fox from October 1 through March 15, Saturday, Sunday and bye-days. The country is grass, woodland and cultivated in Baltimore, Harford, Carroll and Howard Counties.

TREWERYN BEAGLES
Berwyn,
Pennsylvania
Established 1924

A subscription pack founded in 1924, hunting the Radnor Hunt country in Chester County. Hunt livery and colors: Green, with Yale blue collar and brown piping, evening - coat green with blue collar, brown piping and blue facings. Master: David B. Sharp, Jr. Huntsman: Robert M. Scott. Whippers-in (honorary): George S. Hundt, John B. Todd, E. Edward Houghton, Ronald B. Houghton, Miss Patricia Harrison. Miss Jane Knowles, Gerrit Terhune. Field Master: Orville H. Bullitt, Jr. Secretary-Treasurer: A. William Battin. Kennel Huntsman (professional): Charles Smith.

Twenty couples 13 and 15 inch beagles. Hunt Kansas jack rabbit and native cottontail rabbits. Hounds hunt three days a week with formal meets on Sunday, August 20th to April 1st. Telephone (kennels): Berwyn 9351. (Master) Exton 1175.

Country, gently rolling farm land with small coverts. Former Masters: William Newbold Ely, 1924-1929; David B. Sharp, Jr., and James R. Kerr, Jr. (Joint Masters) 1929-1930.

WOLVER BEAGLES
Middleburg,
Virginia
Established 1913

Private pack. Hunt livery and colors: Green, buff collar, light blue piping. Master: (1913) C. Oliver Iselin, Jr. Huntsman: The Master. Whipper-in (professional): Charles E. Kirk.

Six couples 15 inch beagles. Kennels at Aldie, Va. Hunt cottontail rabbits September 1st to March 31st at Master's convenience. Visitors welcome. Telephone: Middleburg, Mu 7-3591.

A rolling country approximately 15 by 20 miles.

**The Basset Packs at
National Field Trials**

Barbara Conolly

"Bigger and better bassets!" was the cry at Aldie, Va., this year. No less than six packs came, rating separate judges and a separate running area on Friday, Nov. 13th. Far from being a bad omen, the day smiled favorably on the low-slung hounds, and they ended up with better country, hotter rabbits, and a larger gallery than the beagles did on the same day.

The two-couple class was won by the Skycastle pack, nicely hunted by Eliza-

beth Streeter. This pack ran a rabbit at a rattling pace from the top of the bowl-shaped field down to the bottom, leaving one hound hung up temporarily in a briar patch. This happens fairly frequently to these low heavy hounds in thick covert, and since he was not hunting another line, the pack was not penalized too heavily for his short absence. When reunited, they worked most enthusiastically and solved several problems unaided.

Second went to the Tewksbury which ran one rabbit to ground, lost a second, and had a good hunt on a third with plenty of drive and cry after some difficulty settling to the line.

The Poona of Millbrook, N.Y., were third with a slow hunt on a very difficult rabbit.

The 4-couple class was smashingly won by the Somerset, a relatively new pack from Va., which lined out a rabbit from the lower end of the bowl into the next farm. Judge Bill Battin had to leave his horse at the wire with his assistant judge Barbara Conolly, and while afoot he turned the rabbit as it was trying to get back into the bowl. This didn't faze the hounds a bit and they swung on the double like a machine, drove their quarry dead away through the weeds and finally put him to ground in a hole in the stream bank 1/4 mile away.

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Bay State Annual Pack Trials

Josiah H. Child

The 22nd Annual Bay State Pack Trials were held at Berkley, Mass. on April 11, and 12th and at South Dartmouth and Westport, Mass. on the 13th. For the first time in many years, the weather was mild and at times sunny. The scenting conditions at Berkley were the best ever experienced allowing every pack to have a good hunt on rabbits which were plentiful and willing to run.

The Bay State Grounds, together with the game thereon, are, without exception, the best on which I have ever seen packs run. The facilities too are magnificent, - good kennels, an attractive Pavilion and Club House, where the culinary efforts of Mr. & Mrs. James McBurnie and Harold Place made a great addition to the comfort and pleasure of all.

The Field Trial Committee and the Officers of the Club, including Roy Purdy, President; Dave McCarthy, Secretary; Frank Astin, Field Marshall; Harold Place, Cook and Bench Show Steward; John Grew, General Manager and Henri Prunaret are to be congratulated for achieving such a high order of excellence in every detail of the Pack Trials. The Judges, Everett McPhillips and Edmond Raposa, both members of the Club, serving without compensation, worked hard and conscientiously on horseback and on foot and their decisions were highly approved by all the participants.

The Sandanona Beagles, coming from Millbrook for their twelfth year proved to be the most consistent and made a unique record by placing 2nd in every class and by winning the Eugene Fisher Memorial Bowl for the Two-Couple Pack, having the highest combined score in the field and on the bench. The Noanet won the 13" Class with Liseter Holly and three derbies by Nugget. Noanet also won the Four-Couple Class and the Sir Sister Cup for the pack having the highest score in the Field.

The dinner at the Taunton Inn, masterly presided over by The Sir Sister Master, in honor of the Judges, with a cocktail party beforehand given by the Noanet, Sir Sister and Waldingfield Beagles, was well attended. The feature of the dinner was an excellent movie on "The Life of A Rabbit" by Jim McDonough, Rabbit Project Director of the Mass. Department of Natural Resources.

The innovation of having the Eight-Couple Packs run in South Dartmouth and Westport proved colorful because of the spectacular country, but a hard-blowing northeast wind made scenting very poor. The last Pack down, The Buckram from Long Island hunted by Joint Master, J. W. Glenn, Jr. had the only good hunt of the day. We were all delighted to have Woody take home the Waldingfield Plaque.

It gave me great pleasure to entertain the crowd for lunch - and so I hope the

same schedule will be repeated next year and for many years thereafter.

We were pleased to see in our midst, a new Pack - The Tanheath, whose Master is William Albin from Uxbridge. We learn that they have 16 puppies in the kennels so it looks as if they would soon appear at the Trials with a Four-Couple. The Liseter, The Treweryn and the Nantucket Packs were sorely missed. All had to cancel their trip to the Trials at the last minute because of sickness in their kennels. The Old Chatham, as usual, had the largest following, including John Williams, Al Callan, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Quinn and Peter Kelly. "The Coach" was his usual helpful self and "Hep" Gammack did a splendid job hunting their Eight-Couple. The Bench Show Judge, Louis Hall of Framingham, placed Buckram Bellman on top, thus giving him the Col. John J. Mansfield Memorial Trophy.

SUMMARIES:

13" Two Couple Fitzsimmons Memorial Platter, 8 packs - 1. Noanet; 2. Sandanona; 3. Buckram I; Res. Sir Sister.
15" Two Couple, 8 packs - 1. Sir Sister; 2. Sandanona; 3. Buckram; Res. Old Chatham.
Four Couple, Sandanona Plate, 11 packs - 1. Noanet; 2. Sandanona II; 3. Sir Sister; Res. Old Chatham.
Eight Couple, Waldingfield Trophy, 4 packs - 1. Buckram; 2. Sandanona; 3. Old Chatham; Res. Sir Sister.
Winner of the Eugene Fisher Bowl - Sandanona - 15" - 140 points with pack consisting of: Merrymaker; Jocker; Waldingfield Bridget; Bugler.
Winner of the Sir Sister Cup - The Noanet Four Couple.
Winner of the John J. Mansfield Memorial Trophy - Buckram Bellman, Res. Old Chatham Sister.

Old Chatham Hunt Foot Beagles

The year 1959 marks the sixth year of the Old Chatham Hunt Club Foot Beagles and a most auspicious year it has been for the upstate New York pack.

After scoring victories at the Litchfield Hound Show and placing well up in all classes at the Bryn Mawr Show, the Old Chatham hounds proved they are as versatile in the field as on the bench by carrying away the lion's share of honors at the Gladstone, N.J. field trials and the National Trials at Aldie, Va.

This is quite an accomplishment for a small pack of 16 entered beagles whose beginning dates back to 1953 when the Old

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Chatham Hunt drafted nine hounds from Mr. Philip Crowe's Kingsland Beagles. An attempt was made to hunt the Kingsland hounds with a mounted staff, but the beagles retreated at the sign of a horse and Capt. Sydney R. Smith, then MFH of Old Chatham, gave up the beagles for fox-hounds.

The same year, 1953, Lt. Col. Orlan A. Johnson became the first Master of Beagles and hunted the hounds through a season when the field often comprised only his young daughter, Brenda. For her devotion to duty, hounds and hunting, Miss Johnson was awarded her colors this spring.

A year later, in 1954, Mrs. Henry N. Gammack of Kinderhook became MB and was joined by Major Albert S. Callan, Jr., of Old Chatham, who has hunted the beagles over Columbia County terrain for the past five years.

Serving as consultant to the staff is the only professional beagle coach in the world, Henry Noyes Gammack, through whose keen insight into the realm of hounds and hunting the Old Chatham pack has succeeded.

Five years ago the 'Old Chats' ventured to Aldie with a two-couple pack and were down for 27 seconds before they were picked up by the judges.

How times have changed! Under the tutelage of "Coach" Gammack, the Old Chatham has won the National Challenge Trophy, and this year won the four couple at Gladstone and Aldie and were the highest scored pack in the New Jersey trials.

The Old Chatham Beagles opened their 1959 fall season on October 24 with a meet from Mr. and Mrs. W. Gordon Cox's Antinore Farm at Old Chatham. Hounds found a hare near the John S. Williams farm, but the quarry was evidently sick or lacking in courage for it was rolled over and killed after a two minute run. A second hare was found and led hounds and field for a brief but exciting run before hounds were whipped off by William F. Shaw, joint MFH of the Old Chatham fox-hounds, who serves as a mounted whip in this heavily infested deer country. The hare, by the way, was wisely heading for a newly established bird and animal sanctuary at Old Chatham, which caused Mr. Shaw to take the action he did. A tea given by the staff followed the hunt at the Old Chatham Hunt's clubhouse.



The Sandanona hunting on the dunes at Barney's Joy during the Bay State Annual Pack Trials.
(Reynolds Photo)

Friday, December 11, 1959

Timber Ridge Bassets

The Timber Ridge Bassets opened their 15th Season at the Master's house, Mr. Charles R. Rogers, on October 11th. A large field enjoyed hunting and hospitality afterwards at Mr. and Mrs. Rogers' farm. Joint hosts for the Hunt buffet were Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Millspaugh. Unfortunately, the day was marred by a tremendous rainstorm, which dampened the spirits of most of the field, except for a few hardy souls who braved the rain, and watched hounds working steadily throughout the downpour, admirably hunted by the Master's wife, Menna Rogers. Several cottontails were put up, and considering the rain hounds worked with an enthusiasm and drive that would be hard to equal.

Prior to the opening meet, hounds were taken out "cub hunting" early in the morning, and sometimes late in the afternoon. The young entry came on very well, but were definitely handicapped by the very hot weather and poor scenting conditions. 4 1/2 couples of young hounds were put on and have now proved themselves not only out hunting but at Bryn Mawr and Aldie.



THE END OF A GOOD DAY - Showing the Buckram winning pack - (L. to r.): Josiah Child, Co-Chairman; Red McPhillips, Judge; Ed Raposa, Judge; Mrs. Glenn; Woody Glenn, Joint Master & Huntsman; Peter Kelly, Whipper-in from Old Chatham; John Quinlan, Whipper-in; John Grew, Co-Chairman. (Reynolds Photo)

Our next meet was at the De Shields when we chopped a cottontail in the honeysuckle, and one of our whippers-in was bitten by an overzealous dog-hound who thought he was a rabbit.

On the first of November at Mr. and Mrs. G. Herbert Rice's, Wakefield Valley Farm, another good day, we were pleased to have out visitors from New York City and Miss Sally Wadsworth from the Genesee Valley Hunt, and also Mr. Duke

and a real "sporting parson" blessed the hounds. Luckily the spiritual benefits accruing did not affect their noses and a good hunt was had through the bottom and up over the Wegners Farm.

Bye-days through the past weeks have shown good sport, and with four months of hunting to come, we look forward to one of our best seasons.

Our thanks are offered to all our wonderful friends who entertain and help us to have such good sport all over Carroll, Baltimore, Frederick and Harford Counties. Basseting has taken a strong hold, and more and more new faces are out every day, long may it continue. Robin Walker



The Old Chatham Eight-Couple, at the Tuckerman's in South Westport, Mass., during the Bay State Pack Trials - (L. to r.): Peter Kelly, Whipper-in; Mrs. Henry Gammack, Master and Huntsman and Tom Quinn, Whipper-in. (Reynolds Photo)

At the Bryn Mawr Hound Show among other ribbons, Black Eyed Susie was placed Reserve Champion Bitch, and we were proud and pleased to win the pack class for the S. Leonard Kent, Jr., Memorial Trophy. Later, in November, at the National Beagle Club Trials at Aldie, Virginia, when six packs of basset hounds entered and had a really wonderful day, the Timber Ridge were placed third in the four couple field trial, and fourth in the two couple in the morning.

Possibly our best day so far this season on the 18th October, was at Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Palmer's where more game was seen and holloed to by the field than could be believed. Hounds hunted brilliantly, killing a cottontail early in the afternoon and then, drawing a corn field, got on to a gray fox who gave us a good twisting hunt for an hour and ten minutes.

Cassels-Smith who used to hunt with the Sandanona Beagles.

Later in November at Captain and Mrs. Robert W. Bockius' Rippling Run Farm, another excellent day was enjoyed, followed by a wonderful stew. The day after Aldie, meeting at Mr. and Mrs. Perry W. Fuller's, hounds opened immediately and had the best hound hunt this season, losing their quarry after a long run, with a point of over a mile.

The 22nd November, apart from being shot over the day before, was a very bad scenting day and unfortunately little sport was shown to the large field so hospitably entertained by Mr. and Mrs. James Shriver at their wonderful house, Chinquapin Hill, at Union Mills. To close the month, our annual Thanksgiving Meet was held at Mr. and Mrs. A. Preston Kelly's house, Longshadow Farm, at Hampstead. Dr. Nelson Rightmyer, one of our honorary members

Bassets at Nat. Trials

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The Tewksbury were second with a long sustained hunt, all hounds on and handling very well, and the Timber Ridge were third, showing some very capable work indeed.

The basset packs face a promising future - their numbers are growing and there is enthusiasm galore - and the more field trial work they do the better they get. Jimmie Jones (Tewksbury), Kent Leavitt (Poona), and Morgan Wing (Sec'y Nat'l Beagle Club) deserve congratulations for the work they have done to encourage and organize them. One pack, the Bridle-spur, (which had two good hunts but were eliminated because they had one hound in each pack which didn't hunt,) came all the way from St. Louis to compete. With such verve in the ranks, they can't miss!

Bassets competing at Aldie - Bridle-spur, Master, Jack Carpenter, St. Louis, Mo.; Poona, Master, Kent Leavitt, Millbrook, N.Y.; Skycastle, Master, John Streeter, Chester Springs, Pa.; Somerset, Master, Mrs. James N. Andrews, Jr., Somerset, Va.; Tewksbury, Masters, James Jones and Haliburton Fales, Gladstone, N. J.; Timber Ridge, Master, Charles R. Rogers, Hampstead, Md.

Gladstone Beagle Pack Trials

Barbara Conolly

Well, we almost did it. We almost had a Gladstone Pack Trial (Gladstone, N.J., Nov. 9-10) without a deer hunt. Deer were flashing all over the running grounds this year, even after the Chinese Army had thoroughly beaten the area with ash can lids and shillalies. One buck even had the temerity to come down to the athletic field at the camp just as Morgan Wing, our inimitable National Beagle Club Secretary was demonstrating his new guaranteed sure-fire atomic effect deer-chasing weapon. The hapless buck was sent high-tailing to the hills by a repeating shot fired up in the air - the second being a fearsome explosion from the sky which really did leave a small mushroom cloud hanging in the air. Wing shouldn't have left his pistol home in the 8 couple though for it was his Sandanona (otherwise known as Pandemonium) pack, the last pack down at the trials, which had a 30-minute holiday on a herd of deer.

Monday the 9th dawned bright, cool, and clear, after four days of rain, but pack after pack struggled with poor, patchy, and often non-existent scent all morning, and it wasn't until Tuesday, a similar day but a bit hazier, that scent improved to really decent.

Paws Down

A Treweryn pack, Model, Benefit, Pouncer, and Merson, all Bryn Mawr bench winners, won the 13" two-couple class, paws down, with a good hunt under difficult conditions. All hounds worked hard, cooperated fully, tongued loudly, and the pack worked out two doubles unhelped where the rabbit was turned by the gallery. Second went to the other Treweryn pack, Marigold, Merrylass, Dainty, and Matchless which also had a close beautiful hunt, but to a total loss, then a second very nice hunt. Third were Noanet Quibble, Quarrel, Daisy Mae, and Bouncer, which shrieked two rabbits to ground under the camp kitchen, and then hunted a third rabbit to a loss. These hounds were close, keen, and handled well. Fourth was the Buckram pack of Magic, Magpie, Mariner, and Molly, and Reserve was the other Buckram pack, Damsel, Briny, Desperate, and Matador. There were ten packs in this class.

Because of poor scent, the 15" two-couple class was limited to one entry a pack. It was resoundingly won by the 7th and last pack down, the Noanet, which ran first thing on Tuesday morning. Newsman, Angel, Holly, and Trumpet had a noisy, enthusiastic hunt at driving speed up the wooded hill after quietly unraveling a nice bit across the stream. Second was a new pack, the Cedarcroft, with beagles of Treweryn origin, nicely handled by Jimmie Lamb. Molly, Melody, Mischief, and Darkness had a long capable hunt with spotty scent. Sandanona

came in for third with Bugler, Bridget, Merrymaker, and Bondsman which solved many problems in a steady hunt, and Treweryn Dulcie, Burgess, Magic, and Musty took 4th with a long slow hunt, featuring Dulcie's voice. North Country Magistrate, Merchant, Mermadon, and Pilot were Reserve and would have done better but that Mermadon blew up at checks.

4 and 8 Couple Classes

The 4-couple class with 7 entries and improved runs went resoundingly to Old Chatham Mudlark, Lasher, Passion, Pacer, Denmark, Rouser, Jupiter, and Bailiff which had a long steady hunt with plenty of voice and all hounds on. This hunt won the new cup for the highest scored pack at the trials. Treweryn's pack had a brief split on two rabbits, then a bit of a reach at a check, but otherwise a nice hunt to place second. Noanet's combination of their two two-couple packs

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woods hot on their rabbit. This burst unfortunately left Passion quite far back and dropped their score. Treweryn was 4th with a nice hunt which got into difficulties near the gallery. Treweryn thus accumulated the points to take home the John C. Baker Jr., silver horn for a year, Bunny Sharp being the Huntsman to win the most points throughout the trial.

Two packs of bassets competed with a 4-couple, warming up for more competition at Aldie, and Jimmie Jones with his Tewksbury lined out a rabbit in good driving style to defeat Kent Leavitt's Poona hounds which hunted two crawling specimens that were perhaps afraid to leave home with such a basso profundo behind them.

SUMMARIES:

Packs represented at Gladstone, 1959 - Buckram - from L.L. N. Y. Dr. Joseph B. Conolly, Jr., Huntsman and Master; Cedarcroft - from Berwyn, Pa., James Lamb Huntsman & Master; Noanet - from Dover, Mass., Mrs. John Grew Huntsman and Master; North - from Metamora, Mich., Charles Backus Huntsman and Master; Old Chatham - from Kinderhook, N.Y. Mrs. Henry Gammack and Albert Callan Joint Masters; Al Callan Huntsman; Sandanona - from Millbrook N.Y. - Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Wing Jr., Joint Masters; Morgan Wing Huntsman; Tower Hill - from Taunton, Mass., Winfred Nailer, Joint Master and Huntsman; Treweryn - from Berwyn, Pa., David B. Sharp, Jr., Master and Field Trial Huntsman.

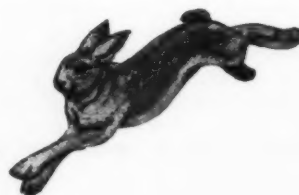


TIMBER RIDGE BASSETS, Charles R. Rogers, M.B., Mrs. Rogers Whipper-in, winner of the S. Leonard Kent, Jr. Memorial Trophy for best five couple of Bassets at this year's Bryn Mawr Hound Show. (Freudy Photo)

had a strong hunt at the beginning and the end but difficulty at a check by a hole in the middle to place third, and Sandanona's good hunt on a second rabbit after a poor start on a first placed them 4th. North Country's Reserve pack ran hard up hill and got strung out because their Waldingfield Pilot, 8 years old and hoarfrost white, couldn't keep up. Had they been running down hill it might have been a different story.

The 8-couple class had five entries, the most that Gladstone has ever had, or at least in many years. Buckram won it with a roaring hunt along the river bank to beat the North Country which had trouble again with Mermadon skirting. Old Chatham was third with one nice hunt in a circle near the camp and a dramatic second run where their hounds came pouring unhesitatingly down the leafy cliff in the

13" 2 couple class - 1. Treweryn; 2. Treweryn; 3. Noanet; 4. Buckram; Res. - Buckram.
15" 2 couple class - 1. Noanet; 2. Cedarcroft; 3. Sandanona; 4. Treweryn; 5. North Country.
4 couple class - 1. Old Chatham; 2. Treweryn; 3. Noanet; 4. Sandanona; Res. - North Country.
8 couple class - 1. Buckram; 2. North Country; 3. Old Chatham; 4. Treweryn.
John C. Baker, Jr., Horn - Treweryn. Highest Scored Pack - Old Chatham 4 couple.
Basset 4 couple - 1. Tewksbury, N. J. J. Jones; 2. Poona, N.Y., K. Leavitt.



Buckram Beagles

A Summary of the 1958-'59 Season

Despite some bitterly cold Sundays in December and January last year, we had a really surprisingly good season with some notable hunts.

Opening Meet at Winthrop's Farm Barns on October 19th was one to keep in mind. The first hare got up on Winthrop's hill and led hounds as fast as they have probably ever run on a beeline across Milburn's and Clark's paddocks and into Clark's woods. This hare was easy to mark as she had half an ear missing, but she got away with the other half intact as hounds were so blown they lost in the woods. A second hare was jumped in the east field and run for an hour to make it a very good day.

October 26th at Field's produced another very good day, the rain holding off till the last thirty minutes of a two-hour hunt on two hares, then soaking everyone. The change of hares occurred in the field back of the stable where no less than FIVE hare got up!

Desperate '54 shone at another hunt at Field's on November 30th when he single-handedly worked a line all the way down a lane by himself, but this hare was unfortunately lost in confusion at the kennels, and hounds had a long hunt on a second hare.

The Little Prospect Beaglers (Tony Garvan's pack) came up from Pa., for our first carded meet at the J. S. Phipps place and this was, sadly, blank. However, we moved over to Milburn's and had a rousing hunt till dark.

The first good hunt at Phipps' occurred on Dec. 21st on a typically bitter day. We had a rather embarrassing start on a black cat which crossed Old Westbury Road in full view of everyone, but then got a hare up near the tree nursery. She was viewed away over the lawn to the south and hunted spottily around the big house and back. Just when things looked dead, she was thrillingly jumped afresh in the long grass by the ditch and away we went. She popped along just ahead of hounds, then shifted into high with the pack screaming at her heels and children likewise. A really interesting if difficult long hunt resulted and we whipped off in the paddocks an hour later. This was Merry-maker's day - a ten-year old hound at his steady best.

Jack Oelsner had a really fine day in Whitney's on January 4th, losing the first hare in Winthrop's, and hunting the second for an hour and thirty-five minutes around Winthrop's till hounds were picked up at 5:07 P.M.

Jack had a sensational day hunting hounds at Field's on Jan 25th and had to draw a Rand McNally map to show Joe Conolly where he had been. He laced the area from the skeet shoot to the west fence line and back with three hares which

were viewed 8 times by Tom Hallowell, John Quinlan, the Ray Bristols, John Brinckerhoff, Barbara Bush, and Chris Lihme, and finally ended at darkness at 5:30 in the southeast woods.

H. P. Davison's has had a drouth of good hunts in the last two years but produced a hare which ran two hours and ten minutes on Feb. 8th before finally losing hounds on the new college parking lot.

On Feb. 22nd, Field's produced another outstanding day with Barbara Conolly hunting hounds. This hunt was largely in the woods to the west of the Field property and lasted just three hours, although it was quite possible that hounds changed hares once below the bull pens.

Desperate '54 had a day to himself in Phipps' on March 1st. It was cold, rainy,



TEWKSURY'S ELMER, with 2 of his get, winner of class 128 at Bryn Mawr. J. Zamorski is the handler. (Freudy Photo)

and scent deteriorated from good to spotty. Desperate single-handedly ran a hare all day on the cinder roads when not another hound, not even our sharp-nosed Molly '55, could smell a thing.

On Sun. March 8th, we had a hunt which started out to be the top hunt of the year, but petered out at the end. It was at Hickox's and the hare that was found left a hot trail in a huge circle around Hickox's and Whitney's which hounds covered in 30 minutes flat - and flat out. The second loop over the same country was slower and we whipped off after 1 1/2 hours.

On Sat. the 14th, we had a really wonderful day at the Noltes' farm on Orient Point. The first hare led us on a faltering scent in melting snow right down to the beach of Peconic Bay, and the second gave us a blistering hunt to the north and ended up on the railroad tracks over a mile and a half due east.

Sun. March 15th at Whitney's is well worth mentioning as we had a two and a quarter hour hunt, the first hour without a check. The hare was run from Whitney's, through Sterling's, and Goodyear's to the Winthrop race track as straight as an arrow. She ran half around the track where Molly '55 made a beautiful find, took to the woods, and was viewed crossing the track again by Ray Browne. She was run to the old house site and for the second hour as scent began to fail, she was run around Winthrop's and back to Whitney's.

And Sunday, March 22nd was probably the greatest day of the year. The meet was at Hickox's and, as hounds were being brought to a view at the back gate, they jumped a fresh hare on the way. After a burst to view, they settled to their noses at the pines, crossed the road at Matheson's, paused briefly in Whitney's by the snow fence, were lifted across the road because of heavy traffic, and flew off on the line through Bostwick's. Suddenly the hare got up, dove back through the pack to Whitney's, causing great excitement among all. She ran along the road to the main gate, up to the field in front of the big house, was jumped again there and ran across the paddocks to Sterling's, and across the road to Goodyear's. She squatted in the field where the big tree is, then ran back across all of Goodyear's, crossed the road and crawled into a thorn thicker back of Whitney's main entrance. She was viewed out of here and again in the farm pastures, but the view was not reported to Huntsman Joe Conolly so precious time was lost searching the woods. The end of the hunt was slow across the farm pastures. Hounds were whipped off after two hours and ten minutes of excellent hunting.

A final note - this was Treweyrynn Merry-maker '50's last season. Toward the end of the year he began to fail markedly and when it was discovered that he had severe heart trouble which did not respond to several weeks of medication, he was put down in the spring. Followers of Buckram and of other packs remember him as a big, lemon-headed hound, with gentle eyes and a generous voice. He was totally honest, with an admitted weakness for pheasants however, and as game as they come. The deeper the snow, the harder he worked, and once when he was caught in a gate at the kennel and mercilessly chewed in the leg, he recovered completely in a month out of sheer will power when the vet said there wasn't enough muscle there for him ever to hunt again. He had two hard sound seasons after that, and though never in a show pack, due to his faulty conformation as well as his color, he was in many ribbon-winning field trial packs. He will be missed, but his son and mirror image, Mike, is showing every sign of taking his place in the pack, though only a year old.

Barbara H. Conolly

The Modern Hunting Basset Hound In England

Daphne Moore

The popularity of hunting with Basset Hounds is increasing in England by leaps and bounds. Whereas in 1946 there was in existence but one pack (The Westerby), during the past 13 years the numbers have risen to nine, and still more kennels are being formed up and down the country. The modern Basset for hunting hares is a very different animal from the pure-bred Basset Hound, which in its native country of France is used for shooting over and is not intended as a pack hound. In recent years a great deal of experimental breeding has been carried out in England and Scotland with a view to producing a hound which combines activity with substance, whilst retaining the fine voice of the original breed. Besides the Foxhound cross, a great many allied breeds have been used - Welsh Foxhound, Stud-book Harrier, Griffon Vendeen (the rough coated hound from France), Beagle and an infusion of both Fell Hound and West Country Harrier blood. By judicious breeding an animal is gradually being evolved with a rare cry, which is capable of hunting at a reasonable pace, and accounting for a large number of hares by persistent hound work. Whilst neither so fast as the modern Harrier (which is inclined to over-match its quarry) or the present day Beagle (which has a turn of speed which often leaves Huntsman and Field far behind), these hounds nevertheless succeed in fairly accounting for a most creditable number of hares each season.

At the first Masters of Basset Hounds Show to be held since the war, held at Aldershot on May 22nd, classes were open only to hounds hunted by members of the Masters of Basset Hounds Association and were closed to "Show Bench" hounds which had never hunted a hare in their lives. There were entries from eight packs.

H.R.H. Princess Margaret attended the final class, for the Bitch Championship, and later presented the prizes, a magnificent array of silver, most of it being Challenge Cups given by famous Basset Hound Masters before the war and held by the winners since the last show. She arrived at the main arena of Aldershot Show by coach-and-four - a very impressive sight - and, after lunching in the tent reserved for Royalty, visited the Hound Show, where she was received by the President of the M.B.H.A., Lord Dorchester, and the Chairman, Lieut.-Col. Eric Morrison, M.F.H. Subsequently, at her own request, she visited the temporary kennels on the Showground, and exhibited a great interest in the hounds, some of which reminded her of the picture of the late Queen Alexandra's pack of Bassets.

The judges were two Masters of Beagles, Sir Newton Rycroft, Bart., who

hunts his own private pack in the Cotswold Hills (much of this blood, The Dummer, has been exported to America in recent years), and Mr. John Seymour-Williams, Master of the Wick and District, which hunt in the vicinity of Bristol.

There were no doubt that the Westerby was outstanding, for in almost every class they were victorious and were awarded both Championships and Reserve Championships. Their Champion Doghound, Sabre '56, a tri-colour dog with a large proportion of white, was also sire of the winning young doghounds and bitches, so was a proven sire and as such won the Stallion Hound Class. He possessed the requisite activity consistent for the purpose for which he was bred (i.e. hunting the hare) and, though his head was more



M. B. Kent Leavitt with POONA ECHO, champion Basset Bitch at this year's Bryn Mawr Hound Show.

(Carl Klein Photo)

squarely-built than that of the pure-bred Artesien-Normand hound (whose high occipital bone and excessive long ears are one of its main characteristics), his forelegs were comparatively straight - as against the extravagantly crooked forelegs of the show bench variety - and his body shorter-coupled. In brief, he was an example of the modern Basset used for work in this country.

The Bitch Championship was won by Westerby Vanquish '58 in a class of 16. She too was tri-colour with white predominating and possessed that good width from hip to buttock which is so desirable for pace.

The Grims showed some interesting examples of Artesien-Normand hounds; whilst the West Lodge, who hunt within a

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few miles of London, brought a particularly engaging little rough-coated bitch who might have been pure Griffon Vendeen in blood, though, in point of fact, this cross comprised only 25% of her ancestry. Dorcas ('55) by name, she came gaily into the ring, and, when let off the couples, rushed straight to a box containing the prize rosettes and helped herself to a scarlet first prize award. She did, in fact, come 2nd in her class - a place which she well deserved. She aroused great interest and proved a very popular exhibit, which, with true feminine insight, she appeared fully to appreciate. Her kennel is one of many rough and broken coats West Lodge Skipper '50 being bred from a pure Griffon bitch, imported by Major Rupert Buchanan-Jardine of the Castle Milk pack.

The Westerby have found that the Stud-Book Harrier out-cross has served them best, and all their 1st and 2nd prizewinners at the show descend from Dunston Gangway '48.



Tewksbury Foot Bassets

1959-60

Early morning hunting, which started the end of August, revealed a good supply of hare in most portions of our country and that our 5 1/2 couple entry were taking hold well. There was enough moisture and we had some good hunting prior to the opening meet. The official start was made at Gubelman's Bridge on October 11 and hounds produced a good day, in spite of the extreme heat.

From Pidcote Farm on Sunday, November 8, we scored the best day thus far. An initial brown hare from the Moseley cedars ran straight and fast and carried us for a burst to the west boundary of the Gubelman property, where hounds were stopped because of deer. A second hare produced a short run along the west side of the Island Farm and a third, found in the south meadow, took us across the river on an hour and a half loop, touching Rattlesnake Bridge covert and parallel to Route 22 to lose at dark at the Mettler entrance.

On this occasion Col. Dexter, the President, and a party of six members of the Pilgrim Basset Hound Club of New England drove from Lyme, Connecticut, to hunt with us and I'm glad that we were able to show them a decent day.

Our showing at Bryn Mawr this year was rather weak in the bitches and in the pack class but this was redeemed by the fact that T.F.B. Elmer '54 won the Entered Dog Hound, Stallion Hound, Stallion Hound with two of his get and Champion Dog Hound. With Eliot '59 he also won the couple of dog hounds and with three sons, Eliot and Dalesman and Druid, all '59, he accounted for the two couples of dog hounds thus making a clean sweep of the

entered dog hound classes.

At the Gladstone Beagle Club Field Trials we managed to retain the Dreadnought Trophy for three-couple packs and at Aldie on November 13, T.F.B. placed second in both the two and four couple divisions with the record number of six packs of bassets competing.

It is a great pleasure to announce that H. Fales and myself have been joined in the mastership by Mr. James Cox Brady, Jr. We have joint meets with both the Little Prospect and Treweryn Beagles scheduled between now and Christmas and look forward hopefully to an open winter and continued good sport. J.S.J.

Noanet Beagles

The Noanet Beagles' 1958-1959 season was both eventful and successful, but its close was marked with sadness because of the death of "Nugget," twice winner of the 13" 3-hour stake at Aldie, and loved by all for his delightful personality. At the time of this report only 2 couple remain of the winning Pack at Aldie and Bay State, a daughter of Nugget's, Busy, (also placed in 3-hour stake) having died whelping.

The Junior members of the staff, Carol Lyman, Howard Pike, and David Lewis, all members of the Norfolk Hunt Pony Club, took entire charge of the Kennels during August 1958 when the Joint Masters vacationed on an Austrian Riding Trip. The excellent condition of the hounds and their constant handling by these Juniors was very much responsible for their success at Aldie in November. Nugget with 2 daughters, Busy and Bounty, with Liseter Helpful won the 13" 2 couple Foxcatcher Plate and The National Challenge Bowl, 50%-Field, 50% Bench. Combined with Newsman, litter brother of Nugget (Waldingfield Post Man-Their Noodles), and Waldingfield Angel, Angus and Allouette, a 2nd place in the 4-couple earned The John Baker Plate. Nugget 1st and Busy 3rd in the 13" 3-hour stake and Newsman Reserve in 15" 3-hour stake brought home the Harrison Memorial Bowl for the highest scored pack.

Noanet celebrated this victory after the opening meet in December, meeting at Mr. & Mrs. Leslie Soulie's in Dover. Many Pony Clubbers were in the field and there were refreshments afterwards at the Dick Lyman's. Hunting was continued with good sport in Dover, Medfield and Newport. Gregg Strauss arranged for excellent meets in the latter area which, being on the coast, made ground conditions favorable when snow lay inland.

Two couple of young entry by Nugget out of Noanet Queenie, line bred to Folch Contentnea Jack on both sides, proved themselves as members of the highest scored Pack at Bay State, the 1st in 2 couple 13", and 4 couple. Of this breeding Noanet Quibble and Questor have scored in

both Derbies and licensed trials this spring and fall.

The Noanet Beagles look forward to the 1959-1960 season with young entry of Nugget's Progeny from out breedings with other packs and hope to give the rabbit population in Mass. and Rhode Island a good run for their money.

Tanheath Hunt

October 17th - Hound Trials, Uxbridge - Peggy, owned and shown by William H. Albin, won the new Albin Trophy for the highest scored hound in field and bench competition at the Tanheath Hunt Club Hound Trials, October 17th. The trophy honors the late Axel H. Albin, local sportsman.

The Noanet Beagles of Dover, led by John Grew, took the pack championship and the Tanheath Trophy.

Reserve winner in the Albin Trophy class was Tanheath Angus, of the host club. David Sibson

SUMMARIES:

13-inch Beagles - 1. Holland Hans, Harold Black, Auburn; 2. Miss Jill, Richard Fagan, Mendon; 3. Dancer, Richard A. Cote, Millbury; 4. Tanheath Misty.

15 - inch Beagles - 1. Tanheath Hatten; 2. Tanheath Angus; 3. Peggy; 4. Spot, John Boniasz, Douglas.

2-couple Pack Championship - 1. Noanet, Dover; 2. Sir Sister, Natick; 3. Noanet Team 2; 4. Tanheath.

Bench show - 1. Peggy; 2. Duchess, William H. Albin; 3. Miss Jill; 4. Tanheath Angus.

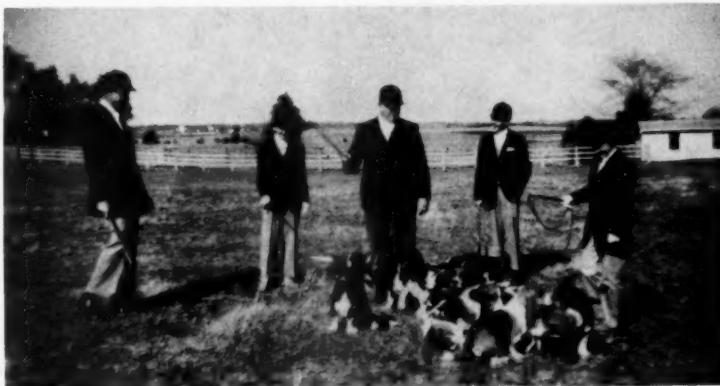


Irish Beagle Meets

At a recent meeting of the Irish Masters of Beagles Association, it was decided to cancel the All Ireland Meet, and instead to have two packs hunt on the second Sunday in November. Two other packs will do the same on the last Sunday in February.

The All-Ireland Meet, introduced three or four years ago, was a highly successful function from the social view point, but presented many problems from the hunting angle. All Masters of Beagle packs in Ireland were invited to bring 2 1/2 couples of their best hounds. This meant that there were often anything from 30 to 40 couples hunting in the same pack. Such a big number of hounds was far too unwieldy, especially when hares were too numerous and it caused the pack to split up. In addition the meet brought out a field of followers numbering frequently anything from 1,000 to 1,500, which again made hunting extremely difficult.

Under the new arrangement the names of the packs were drawn from a hat. The Middleton Foot Beagles have been drawn with the Wellfort (Co. Offaly & Galway Beagles) and they will hunt in the Holy Cross beagle country on the second Sunday in November. The Corduf (Co. Dublin Beagles) and the Holy Cross (Co. Tipperary) will hunt in the Curragh Foot Beagles country in Co. Kildare on the last Sunday in February. S.L.



SOMERSET BASSETS - Newly recognized pack in Virginia - (L. to r.): William Waterman, Whipper-in; Mrs. James N. Andrews, Jr., Master; Melvin Johnson, Huntsman; R. Donald Worth, Whipper-in; and Mrs. Johnson Smith, Whipper-in.

On October 18th, (1958) Mr. A. William Battin, Secretary of the National Beagle Club, inspected and approved the newly organized Somerset Bassets for recognition by the club. As a result of intensive work, the pack, although young, was able to compete successfully at Aldie, placing second in the two and four couple classes respectively. Formal hunting started in December and continued through March 15th with six couples. Increasing interest was evidenced throughout the season with fields ranging from 15 to 50. The Somerset Bassets hunt cottontails in the Montpelier Country through the courtesy of Mrs. Marion duPont Scott.

Nantucket Beagles

The Nantucket Beagles left their winter quarters at West Chester, Penna., on June 26, 1959 for their regular Summer hunting season on Nantucket Island, Mass.

For the second year in a row the weather was cold, rainy and foggy - wonderful for hunting but very poor for the beach or a boat. These conditions continued for most of July and sport was never better for the 8 1/2 couples of 15" beagles. Long hard driving runs were the rule rather than the exception and the pack worked beautifully together. The "Young Entry" of 1958 puppies all of which started last season, hunted like veterans. The entire pack except Portsmouth Buttercup are the same breeding all by Treweryn Bugler out of Nantucket Hoodwink, the latter being grand Champion Beagle at the Bryn Mawr Hound Show 1957 and winner of the 15" 2 hour special pack stake at the National Beagle Club Field Trials in 1958.

Scenting conditions were so good that some truly remarkable hunts resulted on the beach at Tom Never's Head and Surf-

The Treweryn Beagles young entry arrived on Nantucket July 11th after a very rough trip. Huntsman Bobby Scott and whipper-in John Todd, kindly drove them from their kennels at Berwyn, Pa., to Providence, R.I., amid a near flood and cloud bursts of rain from storm "Cindy". Car and hounds were then turned over to the Master David "Bun" Sharp who proceeded to Woods Hole accompanied by his two sons, David (11) and George (7). Passage had been engaged on the 9:25 A.M. boat but unfortunately the boat never left Nantucket due to the storm, so they were holed up in Woods Hole all day, finally taking the 7 P.M. boat. Troubles did not cease then for the hungry hounds and tired travellers. The boat which was due in Nantucket at 9:30 P.M. got lost in the fog - anchored most of the night outside the harbor and finally arrived at 3 A.M. the next day!

The Treweryn young entry of 6 couples (13") consist of three litters: Treweryn Bugler - Vernon Somerset Dora, Treweryn Melton - Portsmouth Molly, and Treweryn Burgess - Treweryn Dulcie, plus Trew-

Orville Bullitt, Patsy Harrison of Treweryn, Donald Worth from the Somerset Bassets of Virginia, Miss Natalie Reynal, Joseph T. Murtagh MFH of the West Chester Hunt (Pa), the Bullitt boys, Sandy, Billy, Thayer and Scott, Mr. & Mrs. B. J. Hugger from the Camargo Hunt in Ohio, Miss Dorothy Rawson of Cincinnati and Camargo, and Captain Arthur Gibbs, Nantucket Coast Guard, retired. Beagler

Basset Breeding

The Master's Report of the Tewksbury Foot Bassets, dated September 1, 1959, and signed by Joint Masters Haliburton Fales, 2d and James S. Jones, contains the following paragraphs: - "Our subscribers may be interested to learn of certain developments in basset breeding which have occurred in England during the years since the 2nd World War and which largely are coincident with the period in which we have endeavoured to build up our own pack. Since the end of the last century there have always been several packs of bassets in England - two or three on the average - out of the some one hundred packs of foot hounds maintained for hare hunting. Up to 1945 the English packs were always of the orthodox basset type (similar to our own hounds). Since the end of the war, however, all except one of the current five packs have felt it necessary to cross their pure-bred bassets with harriers, beagles and small foxhounds in an effort to get a speedier and more active hound and at the same time retain the superior basset nose and voice. Factors which influenced this decision were breeding difficulties resulting from the great number of hounds which had to be destroyed during the war; the nature of the English hedges, ditches, stone walls and heavily ploughed fields; and, finally, the custom of the country which necessitates killing hare more frequently in order to keep hounds 'in blood' and to be considered on a par with the other packs.

"To meet these conditions they are developing some very good working and level packs of 'hare hounds.' Notable among these is the Westerby which hunt in the mid-lands and which were formerly the Westerby Bassets and before that Major Heseltine's Walhampton pack. We have this strain through Melton '55 by Westerby Newsman '52 who is part harrier in the male line.

"The English conditions which have dictated this cross breeding do not apply to us, however, and with the deer population as it exists, we feel that our 'orthodox' bassets are quite fast enough. There are plenty of pure-bred hounds in this country for any necessary out crossing which we may want. The AKC figures show 21,555 bassets registered during the years 1953-1958 inclusive. The growth has been rapid from 1300 in 1953 to 7000 in 1958. In this same year (1958) only 250 bassets were registered by the Kennel Club in England."



MRS. DAVID B. SHARP, JR., M. B. with the Nantucket (Mass.) Beagles.

side where the going is 100% sand that usually holds no scent at all. The sandy roads on the moors which frequently cause checks and often a complete loss and which the hares love to run, proved no problem this season. Time after time the pack streamed along a road just as though they were running on grass. The pack has developed some excellent "road hounds" which are able to own a line on a road even when it is dry and dusty. The hunt staff consisted of the Master, Mrs. David "Becky" Sharp; Miss Margaret Bullitt, regular whipper-in; Miss Peggy Wemple of the Tewksbury Bassets, Far Hills, N.J.; Bun Sharp, Master of the Treweryn; and "Jody" Murtagh, whipper-in to the West Chester, Pa., Fox Hounds. The latter all assisted from time to time, but had little to do except try to keep the flying pack in view or more often within hearing. Hounds handle so well that their Master almost always walks them out alone and frequently hunts them alone.

eryn Prophet from last year's entry who never started to hunt in his first season but entered beautifully on his second hunt here this year and since has developed into a "road hound". As none of the Treweryn entry had been out hunting before, the Nantucket kindly loaned them Tiny and Shiela, their "official puppy starters" both steady and sure and less than 10 inches high. Also hunting with the Treweryn were Nantucket Hasty (5 months) and Nantucket Bouncer (4 months) so the Treweryn ended up with an 8 1/2 couple pack. It was wonderful to see the young hounds start hunting one by one, first on field mice then on hare. At the end of four weeks hunting almost all of the young hounds had started recovering the line after checks ahead of the "puppy starters" and some developing very good voices. The pace was nothing like that of the seasoned and larger Nantucket Pack, but some really nice hunts resulted.

Among those hunting were Peter Elec,

Sixty Years Of Hare Hunting In Millbrook

Morgan Wing, Jr.

Since the late "Nineties", the sport of Hare hunting has been carried on in Millbrook, Dutchess County, New York. Mr. G. Howard Davison whose Altamont Stock Farm is still owned by the Davison family, then maintained a small private pack.

From 1907 to 1909, Mr. Charles C. Marshall hunted hare and fox with a pack of six couples of foxhounds and seven couples of Kerry Beagles. As Whippers-in were S. Bryce Wing and John D. Wing, cousin and uncle respectively of the Joint Master of the Sandanona Beagles which hunts the country today. Mr. Marshall's son, Mr. Charles R. Marshall, currently hunts with the foxhounds and beagles.

Mr. Oakleigh L. Thorne took over the country in 1910 and decided to devote all his energies to hunting the hare which Mr. Alfred C. Dietrich, who had a large game preserve in the area, had imported in 1894. Mr. Thorne imported fifteen and a half couples of foxhounds from Major Balfe, of Castlereagh, Ireland and in 1911 brought over another draft of about twenty couples from England. Also in 1911 the Westchester County Hunt was given up, and Mr. Thorne bought the pack to augment his now large kennel.

In 1912 Mr. Thorne decided that better results would be obtained if he were to import some good harriers from England along with a harrier huntsman well versed in hunting the tricky hare. With the help of Mr. Edward H. Carle, who was in England that summer, arrangements were made to purchase the harriers of Mr. Henry Hawkins, who was Master and owner of Mr. Hawkin's Harriers and who had accepted the Mastership of the Grafton Foxhounds. The hounds came to Millbrook in charge of the huntsman Harry Knott. This pack showed excellent sport, hunting three days a week.

Hare were hunted by Mr. Thorne's pack until 1923 some foxhunting was also conducted, new kennels at Thorndale being built in 1920, where today the Sandanona Beagles are kenneled. In 1924 Mr. Thorne divided the country with Mr. Eugene S. Reynal who had hunted a pack of foot beagles for many years on days when the harriers did not go out.

In a delightful little book, published by Mr. Reynal in 1934 "Thoughts upon Hunting Kit", he speaks of a hunt with his beagles on December 5, 1912 of four hours and eighteen minutes to a "kill" in the open. The hare ran over thirty miles as near as could be traced on a map.

Prior to his coming to Millbrook, in the early 1900's, he had hunted his pack of beagles from his home in White Plains. The Reynal farm which kenneled the beagles and harriers is now owned by Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Dyson. Morgan Wing Jr., was a whipper-in to Mr. Reynal's

Beagles from 1920 to 1924.

In 1925, Mr. Reynal converted to harriers, bringing over twelve couples from the Dunstan and the North Norfolk packs in England later adding to the pack from the same sources he had over thirty couples which he hunted through the early "thirties".

In 1936 Morgan Wing Jr., became Whipper-in to the Buckram Beagles on Long Island and Joint Master in 1938. From 1936 to 1947, except for the War years, Mr. Wing hunted the Buckram Beagles in Millbrook at least twice each season and asked the following packs to participate in various weekends of hunting. Liseter Beagles, Mrs. J. Austin du Pont, Master, Newtown Square, Pa.; Kingsland Beagles, Philip K. Crowe, Master, New Canaan, Conn.; Readington Foot Beagles, Mr. John K. Cowperthwaite, Master, Far Hills, N.J.; Trewern Beagles, Mr. David B. Sharp, Jr., Berwyn, Pa.; and Waterville Beagles, Mr. Ostrom Enders, Master, Waterville, Conn. The Liseter and Trewern packs continue today under the same Mastership.

In 1948, Morgan Wing Jr., and Anne W. Vogels were married at New Bedford, Mass., their wedding presents including six couples of beagles from as many packs. The Sandanona Beagles were thus

formed and hunted Millbrook as a private pack from 1948 to 1953 when a Hunt Committee was formed with Mr. Oakleigh L. Thorne as Chairman. The pack was organized as a subscription pack and was moved to the kennels at Thorndale which were built by Oakleigh Thorne for the harriers and foxhounds as referred to previously. Now in its eleventh season, the Opening Meet at Thorndale on Saturday, October 17, 1959 was attended by over one hundred and twenty five people.

The pack continued the tradition established by Mr. Reynal in competing at the National Beagle Club Field Trials, Aldie, Va., which this November conducted its Seventieth Annual Trial. In 1952 the Sandanona Beagles won the four couple pack class and brought back to Millbrook the perpetual trophy which Mr. Reynal's Beagles had won thirty one years earlier in 1921. The continuance of hare hunting in Millbrook was thought of by Mr. Reynal when he willed his hunting home to Morgan Wing, Jr.

In conclusion, another pack was formed in 1954 to hunt hare and cottontail rabbits in Millbrook, the basset pack, the Poona Bassets, Mr. Kent Leavitt, Master. This pack has done well in the field and on the bench.

In 1958, Millbrook, the only community which has three packs of hounds - foxhounds, beagles and bassets - each won their division as best pack at the Bryn Mawr Hound Show.

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Basset Hounds

The term "basset" is in general appropriate to describe any short-legged hound. Bassets originated in France, where they were bred down from the various breeds of larger hounds (chiens d'ordre) and in this way several quite distinct breeds of basset were evolved. Some have become extinct but even today there remain four such breeds recognized

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by the French Kennel Club, namely: the Artois-Norman, Blue-Gascon, Fawn Breton and Griffon-Vendeen: the two former are smooth-coated, the latter rough.

Since the basset was first introduced into England, about 1870, by far the greater number which have been imported or bred there have been of Artois-Norman origin and for this reason the name "basset" has become identified in this country almost solely with hounds of that breed. The Kennel Club keeps only one register for basset-hounds and for registration purposes accepts the rough Griffonbasset as being of the same breed as the smooth and, in type, quite different Artois-Norman. Presumably it would also enter in the same register any specimens of the other pure basset breeds which might be imported.

Reduced almost to extinction level in this country five years ago, when only 20 puppies were registered during the year, the pure basset, fostered by the reconstituted Basset Hound Club, is enjoying a considerable revival in popularity and last year nearly 150 puppies were registered.

Simultaneously with the revival of the pure hound a group of hunting enthusiasts has re-formed the Masters of Basset Hounds Association and has been striving to obtain a more active hound by combining the blood of Artois-Norman and Griffon-Vendeen bassets with that of small Stud-book and West Country Harriers.

It is considered by the Association's members that even the comparatively sound modern pure basset is not really physically equipped to provide Hunt subscribers with sport over heavy plough country with perhaps only three hours available for hunting. It should be explained that in France bassets were bred primarily for the purpose of driving game slowly forward to the guns. They were not intended to be used for hunting "at force," i.e., in packs, and were practical-

ly never so used.

The strain, indeed one may say the breed, now being evolved by members of the Association has the basic characteristic of a basset in that it is short-legged and it has also inherited from the pure hound a good voice and nose besides being much more active and having more drive. However, although an attractive and quality hound, it lacks the fine head of the pure hound.

Several packs now hunt this form of hound which, previously identified simply as a "basset" or in some cases "harehound," has now been christened "the English basset."

The members of the Club consider that the word "basset" has become so identified with the pure basset of Artois-Norman origin as bred and exhibited and, in the case of one pack, hunted in this country, that they object to its use by the Association or at any rate consider that "English" is not a proper or adequate distinguishing word.

The association on the other hand regards "basset" as a generic word properly applicable to the new breed and suggests that by way of further distinction the Club should call the pure hounds "Artois-Norman Bassets" which, as a comparison of the official French standards for that breed shows, they still resemble in all but quite minor points.

Probably few difficulties will arise in practice and in any case one hopes that the respective members of the two governing bodies will not make too great an issue of this matter of nomenclature. The decline of the basset in the past was directly attributable to the split which developed between the hunting and the show fraternities and whether in its pure state or as the principal and most valuable element in the new hunting hound the basset has much to offer as a now fully naturalized "citizen" of this country.

("Javelin" in Horse and Hound)

Friday, December 11, 1959
Bryn Mawr

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Trophy with a perfect performance of his five couple of well matched hounds. As the Bryn Mawr Show is for working pack hounds, this class is truly the piece de resistance of the day. The defending Poonas could not stand the pace and the Tewksbury Foot pack was third.

In the individual classes the Tewksburys dominated the dog hound division with the Poonas taking most of the blues in the bitch classes. Jimmy Jones, Master of the Tewksbury Foot must have had an additional although vicarious thrill from his big, black Elmer who not only swept through to Champion Dog hound but was sire of Poona Echo the nine months old bitch who won her Championship over her older pack sister, a daughter of Clown; while Ego, litter brother of Echo, was made Reserve Champion dog hound.

The Poonas took the "most points" prize money by a close margin of only 3 points from Timber Ridge with Tewksbury third.

With four working packs, Skycastle, Tewksbury Foot, Timber Ridge and Poona providing so many more entries than last year, the future of Basset Hunting seems rosy indeed." K.L.

Bassets

PLACE: Malvern, Pennsylvania.

TIME: September 11, 1959.

JUDGE: Mrs. Winifred Little Heckman, Baltimore, Md.

SUMMARIES:

Basset Dogs

Unentered dog - 1. Ego by Roughwood Elmer '54 - Poona Jingle '55, The Poona; 2. Paw-Paw by Ch. Meyer's Red Boy - Smith's Jezebel, The Timber Ridge; 3. Dreadnought by Roughwood Elmer '54 - T.F.B. Daffodil '55, The Tewksbury Foot.

Entered dog - 1. Roughwood Elmer '54 by Ch. Lyn-Mar Clown-Grim's Unity, The Tewksbury; 2. Engle's Frank of Nor-Mil by Ch. Belbay Xtra Handsome - Engle's Sorroful Polly, The Timber Ridge; 3. Timber Ridge Cheyenne '57 by Ch. Meyer's Kasco Kid - Steven's Little Sue.

Stallion Hound - 1. Roughwood Elmer '54, The Tewksbury; 2. Engle's Frank of Nor-Mil, The Timber Ridge; 3. Timber Ridge Cheyenne '57.

Stallion Hound shown with 2 of his get - 1. Roughwood Elmer '54 by Ch. Lyn-Mar Clown-Grim's Unity with T.F.B. Mallman '57 and T.F.B. Merryman '57, The Tewksbury Foot; 2. Poona Diesel '53 by Lyn-Mar Investigator - Mr. Pilot's May with Poona Jingle '55 and Poona Juggler '56. Couple of dogs - 1. Roughwood Elmer '54 by Ch. Lyn-Mar Clown - Grim's Unity and Elliot by Roughwood Elmer '54 - Mrs. Heaton's Solo, The Tewksbury Foot; 2. Jones' Cherokee Dan '58 by Jones' Cherokee Snuffy - His Thoroughbred Lassie and Engle's Gusto '58 by Engle's Ace - His Joan, The Timber Ridge; 3. Engle's Frank of Nor-Mil by Ch. Belbay Xtra Handsome - Engle's Sorroful Polly and Paw-Paw by Ch. Meyer's Red Boy - Smith's Jezebel, The Timber Ridge.

Champion Basset Dog - 1. Roughwood Elmer '54, The Tewksbury; 2. Ego, The Poona.

Basset Bitches

Unentered bitch - 1. Echo by Roughwood Elmer '54 - Poona Jingle '55, The Poona; 2. Blackeyed Susie by Ch. Meyer's Kasco Kid - Steven's Little Sue, The Timber Ridge; 3. Easy by Roughwood Elmer '54 - Poona Jingle '55, The Poona.

Entered bitch - 1. Poona Chatter '56 by Lyn-Mar Clown - Poona Jet '54; 2. Poona Jingle '55 by Poona Diesel '53 - Their Jet '54; 3. Timber Ridge Melody by Lane's Lord Archibald - Christopher's Lady Ann Lloyd.

Brood Bitch - 1. Poona Chatter '56 by Lyn-Mar Clown - Poona Jet '54; 2. Poona Jingle '55 by Poona Diesel '53 - Their Jet '54; 3. T.F.B. Daffodil '55 by Mr. Mossman's Domino - T.F.B. Mystic.

Brood Bitch shown with 2 of her get - 1. T.F.B. Daffodil '55 by Mr. Mossman's Domino '52 - T.F.B. Mystic with Dalesman and Druid; 2. Poona Jingle '55 by Poona Diesel '53 - Their Jet '54 with Echo and Easy.

Couple of Bitches - 1. Poona Jingle '55 by Poona Diesel '53 - Their Jet '54 and Poona Chime '56 by Lyn-Mar Clown - Poona Jet '54; 2. Timber Ridge Melody and Timber Ridge Music by Lane's Lord Archibald - Christopher's Lady Ann Lloyd; 3. Echo and Easy by Roughwood Elmer '54 - Poona

Jingle '55, The Poona.

Two couple of Bassets - 1. Dalesman, Dreadnought, Druid and Dexter by Roughwood Elmer '54 - T.F.B. Daffodil '55, The Tewksbury Foot; 2. Timber Ridge Entry; 3. Poona Jingle '55, Poona Juggler '56, Poona Jeepster '53 by Poona Diesel '53 - Their Jet '54 and Poona Chime '56 by Lyn-Mar Clown - Poona Jet '54.

Champion Basset Bitch - 1. Echo, The Poona; 2. Black-eyed Susie, The Timber Ridge.

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the Beagles roster edition. As you know, I was secretary and joint-master for 12 years (1946-58) and we never paid dues to the Beagle Club or to the AKC - in fact, the harriers are registered with Mr. Joseph Jones in the MFH stud book. I hope you can list my hounds - despite having so little to tell you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Nancy G. Howell, M.H.



Corrected Accounting

Dear Sir:

Error in computing jumper championship points in New Mexico State Fair Show (Chronicle issue Nov. 13, 1959). Corrected account gives John's Danny, owned and ridden by Mrs. R. C. Jones, championship and Sobreano owned and ridden by Diana Schauer, the reserve.

Please correct.

Thanks,

The Westerner

Controversial Date

Dear Sir:

In your Hunt Roster Issue of September 25th report on the Bryn Mawr Hound Show you say that "the show was dominated by Beagles - 126 entries and nine packs shown on the race course."

You further report that at the American Fox Hound Club luncheon Mr. Carter reported pressure to change the date of the show, and after the meeting there was a discussion of this change "by all concerned."

As far as I know none of the Beagle exhibitors took part in this reported discussion.

It should be reported that at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Beagle Club, held the night before the show, it was unanimously voted to recommend to the Bryn Mawr Hound Show that no change in date be made. The Masters of the various Beagle Packs were especially opposed to a spring show.

As this is apparently a controversial issue, I would appreciate it if you would publish this letter.

Yours truly,

David B. Sharp, Jr.

1st Vice President

National Beagle Club

Chronicle Cover

Sir Sister Minion was awarded grand Champion Beagle at the Litchfield Show 1959. This, coupled with S. S. Winsome grand champion at the Bryn Mawr Show, made a fine record for Sir Sister Beagles on the bench for 1959. According to the records, it is the only time that lemon (red) and white hounds have won at these hound shows.

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TIME: Sept. 11-13.

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HIGH POINT CH: Skipper's Fate, Shawnee Farm.

CONFORMATION HUNTER CH: Skipper's Fate, Shawnee Farm.

RES: Our Delight, Shawnee Farm.

WORKING HUNTER CH: The Sky, Margaret Humphrey.

RES: Skipper's Fate, Shawnee Farm.

PONY HUNTER CH: Big Enough, Susan Richards.

RES: Little Bumps, Nick Jones.

JUNIOR HUNTER CH: Sky's Holiday, Sally Griesinger.

RES: Sunset, Cyrus Eaton III.

SUMMARIES:

Model hunters - 1. Take Command, Shawnee Farm; 2. Blue Horizon, Waverly Farm; 3. Spice Tea, Gilbert W. Humphrey; 4. Stirrup Hill, Stirrup Hill Farm.

Warm-up class - 1. Grey Seal, Caroline Lueloff; 2. Quiet Please, G. Watts Humphrey, Jr.; 3. Happy Duf, Kathy Mattie; 4. Extravagance, Stirrup Hill Farm.

Warm-up class - 1. Journey Proud, Shawnee Farm; 2. Skipper's Fate, Shawnee Farm; 3. Our Delight, Shawnee Farm; 4. Quiet Please.

Lightweight green hunters - 1. Blue Horizon; 2. Mr. Brig, Wentworth Farms; 3. Red Carpet, Krystn Glancy; 4. Music Maker, Richard Wachic.

Middle & heavyweight green hunters - 1. Spice Tea; 2. Ocean Murrur, Waverly Farm; 3. Black Beth, North Olmsted; 4. Banker's Trust, Claire Lang Miller.

Lightweight working hunters - 1. Skipper's Fate; 2. Quiet Please; 3. Moonlight Bay, Claire Lang Miller; 4. Moonlight, Krystn Glancy.

Warm-up class - 1. Banker's Trust; 2. Grey Seal; 3. Beechwood, Ted Reiff; 4. Red Carpet.

Middle & heavyweight working hunters - 1. The Sky, Margaret Humphrey; 2. Pompey's Lamp, Kathy Mattie; 3.

Journey Proud; 4. Mahhub Ali, Stirrup Hill Farm.

Open green conformation hunters - 1. Blue Horizon; 2.

Ocean Murrur; 3. Banker's Trust; 4. Spice Tea.

Local lightweight hunters - 1. Dusk & Dark, Mary Marsh;

2. Mr. Brig; 3. Music Maker; 4. Sky's Holiday.

Local middle & heavyweight hunters - 1. The Sky; 2.

Sunset, Cyrus Eaton III; 3. Swift Briar, North Orchard; 4.

Holliday, Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Sogg.

Ladies' working hunters - 1. The Sky; 2. Skipper's Fate;

3. Journey Proud; 4. Holliday.

Green working hunters - 1. Blue Horizon; 2. Ocean

Murrur; 3. Spice Tea; 4. Banker's Trust.

Local open hunters - 1. Sunset; 2. Skyline, Mr. & Mrs.

Leonard Sogg; 3. Holliday; 4. The Sky.

Ladies' conformation hunters - 1. Skipper's Fate; 2. Our

Delight; 3. Quiet Please; 4. Pompey's Lamp.

Green hunters under saddle - 1. Spice Tea; 2. Daurade,

Shawnee Farm; 3. Music Maker; 4. Happy Duf.

Junior working hunters - 1. Grey Seal; 2. Sky's Holiday;

3. Sunset; 4. Fancy Free, T. D. Griffiths.

Pony working hunters - 1. Big Enough, Susan Richards; 2.

Tick-Tock, Karla Kremer; 3. Master Wentworth, Went-

worth Farm; 4. Little Bumps, Nick Jones.

Novice horsemanship - 1. Melissa Dempsey; 2. Paulette

Visconti; 3. Rachel Williams; 4. Carolee Butler.

Jr. conformation hunters - 1. Sky's Holiday; 2. Dusk &

Dark; 3. Sunset; 4. Fancy Free.

Pony conformation hunters - 1. Blue Jeans, Polly Williams;

2. Blue Granite, David Griesinger; 3. Little Bumps; 4.

Master Wentworth.

Novice hacks - 1. Copper King, Debby Legros; 2. Bab's

Bambi, Carolee Butler; 3. Meg, Mrs. S. H. Weingart; 4.

Mr. Chippis, Peter Griesinger.

Jr. hunters under saddle - 1. Old Fourth, Lake Erie

College; 2. Swift Spirit, Pam Butler; 3. Junior High,

Cynthia Firman; 4. Dusk & Dark.

Open working hunter - 1. Skipper's Fate; 2. Moonlight

Bay; 3. Journey Proud; 4. Quiet Please.

Pony hunters under saddle - 1. Big Enough; 2. Little

Bumps; 3. Sparky, Cathy Eaton; 4. Blue Jeans.

Leadline - 1. Eve Stockton.

Open conformation hunters - 1. Skipper's Fate; 2. Our

Delight; 3. Quiet Please; 4. Pompey's Lamp.

Jr. hunter appointments - 1. Cravallay, Alice Olsen; 2.

Sunset; 3. Fancy Free; 4. Gray Seal.

Working hunter hacks - 1. Banker's Trust; 2. The Sky; 3.

Mahhub Ali; 4. Pompey's Lamp.

Pony hunting attire - 1. Big Enough; 2. Little Bumps; 3.

Master Wentworth; 4. Blue Jeans.

Conformation hunters under saddle - 1. Take Command; 2.

Pompey's Lamp; 3. Quiet Please; 4. Stirrup Hill.

Family class - 1. Entry, Martha W. White; 2. Patrick

O'D, Malcom B. Villars, Jr.; 3. Entry, Courtney Burton; 4.

Omafire, Fox Hollow Farm.

Beelzebub class - 1. Moonlight; 2. Chorus Girl, Robert

Bishop III; 3. Aqua Velvet, Dorchester Stable; 4. Statesman,

Charles Vasquez.

Local pairs of hunters - 1. Music Maker, Dusk & Dark; 2.

Sunset, Secret Wire, Marilyn Stern; 3. False Alarm, Carol

Wright, Cravallay; 4. Gold Coin, Jean Hower, The Town

Crier, Longdown Farm.

Open conformation hunters - 1. Skipper's Fate; 2. Banker's

Trust; 3. Our Delight; 4. Take Command.

Local hunters under saddle - 1. Old Fourth; 2. Entry,

Alice Olsen; 3. Swift Spirit, Pam Butler; 4. Fancy Free.

Corinthian hunters - 1. Our Delight; 2. Journey Proud; 3.

Quiet Please; 4. Pompey's Lamp.

The Subscribers' Bowl - 1. Quiet Please; 2. The Sky; 3.

Pompey's Lamp; 4. Dusk & Dark.

Hunt teams - 1. Pompey's Lamp, The Sky, Journey Proud;

2. Banker's Trust, Moonlight Bay, Dusk & Dark; 3. Moon-

flight, Quiet Please, Sunset; 4. False Alarm, Cravallay,

Black Beth, Mary Dana Prescott.



GRAND NATIONAL

CORRESPONDENT: Show Secy.

PLACE: San Francisco, Calif.

TIME: Oct. 30-Nov. 8.

JUDGE: Jack Prestage.

SUMMARIES:

Jumper stake, 1st event - 1. Balbriggan, Barbara Worth Stables; 2. Remember Me, Mrs. J. B. Brown; 3. Thunder, Sterling Stables; 4. Brigham City, Encinal Stables; 5. Little

Beaver, Jarvis Esenwein; 6. Jungle Drum, Shirley Murphy. Hunters in livery - 1. Above Reproach, Wellman P. Thayer;

2. Criterion, Bob Hauesser; 3. Wing Tint, Elizabeth Lassen;

4. Silver Foot, Cecilia Harper.

Jumper stake, 2nd event - 1. Pinnacle, Mr. & Mrs. Cliff Ross; 2. "88", Encinal Stables; 3. Trouble Shooter, Mr. & Mrs. Wilson Demehy; 4. Sad Affair, Barbara Worth Stables;

5. Proude Sirde, Mrs. J. B. Brown; 6. Shamrock, Mr. & Mrs. J. W. Purcell.

Hunt teams - 1. Suggestion, Myra Moss, Erin Go Bragh, Sharon Ford, Silver Foot; 2. Above Reproach, Blaney, Jimmy Williams, Queen's Guard, Ken Nordstrom; 3. Tuff

Stuff, Clyde Kennedy Stables, Kid Magazzer, Pat Burks, Top Banana, Carole Atkinson; 4. Hi Tensile, Concar Ranch,

Okeechobee Joe, Sandy Sherman, Red Cent, Clyde Kennedy.

Jumper stake, 3rd event - 1. Copper King, Mr. & Mrs. Al Lauer; 2. Will of the Wisp, Sterling Stables; 3. Watch

This, Pat Burks; 4. Sky Bingo, Lois Register; 5. Hi-Fi, Clyde Kennedy Stables; 6. Van Weider, Mrs. Bettie McCabe.

Jumper stake, 4th event - 1. Shamrock; 2. "88"; 3. Sad Affair; 4. All Mio, Jimmy Williams; 5. Pinnacle; 6. Jungle

Drum.

Jumper stake, 5th event - 1. Remember Me; 2. Watch This; 3. Thunder; 4. Brigham City; 5. Balbriggan; 6.

Anytime, Clyde Kennedy Stables.

Open hunters - 1. Queen's Guard; 2. Criterion; 3. Wing Tint; 4. Silver Foot.

Jumper stake, 6th event - 1. Copper King; 2. Van Weider; 3. Sky Bingo; 4. Little Beaver; 5. Will of the Wisp; 6. Proude

Sirde.

Handy working hunters - 1. Kid Magazzer; 2. Orphan Lad, Mrs. Robert A. Day; 3. Hi Tensile; 4. Pinnacle.

Handy hunters - 1. Criterion; 2. Suggestion; 3. Queen's Guard; 4. Above Reproach.

Jumper stake, 7th event - 1. All Mio; 2. Copper King; 3. Thunder; 4. Pinnacle; 5. Jungle Drum; 6. Sky Bingo.

Working hunters, ladies' or amateur - 1. Debated Issue, Barbara Worth Stables; 2. Licorice Stick, Sam & Lois

Register; 3. Red Bank, Mr. & Mrs. D. Larson; 4. Wishful Thinking, Mary Ann McDonald.

Jumper stake, 8th event - 1. Will of the Wisp; 2. Shamrock; 3. Very Doubtful, Jimmy Williams; 4. Proude Sirde; 5. "88";

6. Smuggler, Bonni Lu Stock Farm.

Working hunter stake - 1. Hi Tensile; 2. Orphan Lad; 3. Pinnacle; 4. Licorice Stick; 5. Kid Magazzer; 6. Blaney,

Myra Moss.

Jumper stake, 9th event - 1. Watch This; 2. Remember Me; 3. Sky Pilot, Artesia Stock Farm; 4. Brigham City; 5.

Anytime, Mr. & Mrs. Chris Borba; 6. Trouble Shooter.

Hunter stake - 1. Above Reproach; 2. Criterion; 3. Suggestion; 4. Cimota, Joan Sexton; 5. Wing Tint; 6. Next

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Franz Rudolf Bissinger

The conditions for the CHIO at Rotterdam (Holland), where at the same time the European Jumper Championship for Ladies was held, were excellent: beautiful weather, lots of spectators, and great sport. With about 12,000 spectators each on September 5th and 6th all seats were sold out and thousands were unable to get in. The international participation was not quite as tough as the year before when riders from Germany, France and the US made for highly interesting jumping competitions. This year the English riders came to the fore. Besides the "first lady rider of the world", Pat Smythe, there were six riders from England who have become well known only during the current year. Together they had 10 wins and 38 placements!

Outstanding were the 3 wins of 19 year old Ann Townsend and of the equally young rider Mr. D. Broome. Ann Townsend seems to be a new star in the international jumping sport. She won the Puissance at Madrid, was second in the Gran Premio de Madrid, won in the Coupe de la Federation Portugaise at Lisbon, was, with only 4 faults in two rounds, in first place in the English team of the Prix des

Nations and was fourth in the Prix de la Triomphe at Paris. In the Puissance at the CHIO of London she was equal first was Mrs. Warren Wofford.

At Rotterdam this unconcerned and strong riding young lady won the title of champion in the European Jumper Championship for Ladies. In this event riders participated from England, Germany, Holland, Belgium and Italy. Miss Townsend was the only one with no faults in two rounds. She pushed last year's champion, Signorina Giulia Serventi (Italy) and Pat Smythe to second and third place. Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands, the president of the FEI, handed Miss Townsend the championship ribbon. Tying for fourth place were Frau Koehler (Germany), Fraulein Clement (Germany), Mlle Vanderhagen (Belgium), Mlle. Schoekart (Belgium) and Signorina Donna Paggio Antonelli (Italy).

Later Miss Townsend also won the Puissance tieing with (equal) Walter Gunther (Germany) in the third jump-off with no faults. Finally Miss Townsend won with no faults and a 2/5 second faster ride the "Prix of the Amazones" from Anna Clement (Germany).

England has another young and well disciplined rider in 19 years old D. Broome. He had 3 wins. Although he is small and not very strong, he is an acrobat in the saddle.

The greatest victory in Rotterdam was that of the English team in the Prix des

Nations: Pat Smythe on "Flanagan"; Ann Townsend on "Bandit IV"; D. Barker on "Franco" and D. Broome on "Wildfire", with only 16 faults. English teams had previously won this coveted trophy in 1953, 1956 and 1957. The riders from Holland did so well in the second round that they got second place with 28 faults in front of Belgium and Ireland (each 36 faults) and Germany (56 faults).

This was a tremendous success for the British Chef d'Equipe, Col. J. K. Talbot-Ponsonby, a former three time winner in the King George cup at London. The "Grand Prix de Rotterdam" was won by the young German Klaus Pade on "Somherr" in the jump-off with no faults (13 competitors) against Pat Smythe. Last year this important class was won by Bill Steinkraus (USA) on "Ksar d'Esprit".

(H. Wiesenthal, tr.)

OLYMPIC AMATEUR RULE

The leading article of the October 15th issue of the well known French periodical "L'Information Hippique" decries the Olympic amateur rule for all sports, singling out particularly boxing, bicycling and tennis. As for equestrian sports, which it feels contains many more amateurs than the above, it estimates that only 20 per cent of the participants in the Equestrian Olympic Games can be considered strictly amateurs. The article ends by recommending the abolition of the amateur rule.

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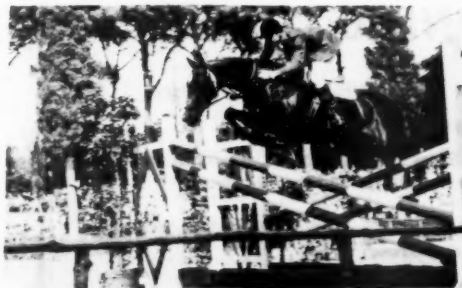
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Grand Prix Dressage A Means Or An End?

Erich Glahn

PART I

(EDITOR'S NOTE: - The following article by the eminent German authority, Erich Glahn, deals with the future of the most advanced level of dressage, the Grand Prix test of the Olympic Games. It is not, of course, in any way critical of the standard of basic dressage or training used to school all horses, whether hacks, hunters, jumpers or Grand Prix aspirants.)

The prominent Swiss horse magazine "Schweizer Kavalierist" from November 1958 to January 1959 published a series of articles from the pen of E. A. Sarasin, president of the Swiss Equestrian Federation and also a member of the Bureau of the FEI, which one could summarize in this fashion: "Dressage (at the Grand Prix level) is not a means to an end, but an end in itself." Mr. Sarasin's voice carries particular weight because (1) his views agree with those of another very influential dressage man of the FEI and because (2) Switzerland, without question, had the best Dressage Team at the Stockholm Olympics of 1956 and (3) the Swiss rider V. W. Chammartin won every dressage test at the CHIO in Wiesbaden last spring (1958).

Strong and impressive forces stand behind Mr. Sarasin and what he says deserves to be carefully analyzed and discussed. In Germany, this was done in the columns of "Reiter Revue International" in the issues of January and February. Mr. Sarasin has our gratitude for bringing this most important question out into the open and inviting the world to a free exchange of opinions. He abandons thereby the method used heretofore by the FEI, that of debating these questions behind closed doors, as it were, and of concluding the deliberations by what has amounted to a dictum to the riding world.

In this articles Mr. Sarasin complains about the many erroneous rules for the

guidance of competitors that have been established through the years and about the many unfortunate scorings made by the judges at the Olympic Games of 1948, 1952 and 1956. He speaks particularly severely about the Stockholm Games of '56 because, as he says, the sound principles of an equitation that aims at the practical use of the horse were there not only ignored, but even appeared to be defiantly disregarded in certain instances! From the point of view of classical dressage only the Swiss Team could have won. Stockholm showed clearly how the wind was blowing and was a warning to everyone willing or able to see. I, therefore, gave my book about those Olympic Equestrian Games the title, "Equitation at the Cross Roads." To judge by Mr. Sarasin's recent articles above cited, equitation appears to have now moved, menacingly, even closer to the great divide.

Modern Circus Tests

Differences in concept began to appear in June 1955 in Thun, Switzerland, where the test for the Grand Prix de Dressage for the Stockholm Games, devised by the Belgian General de Trannony, was given its first official tryout. This test - which demanded traversales at the walk lasting five to six minutes; a passage developed from the extended trot to be ridden posting; 38 successive flying changes of lead on the circle; and the elimination of even the smallest of jumps from the test - unmistakably put artificial above practical equitation.

Such a test, which represents a type of riding that leads nowhere but to the circus, could hardly appeal to adherents of the classical school of equitation. Furthermore it was particularly foreign to riders of countries whose historic development did not parallel that of continental Europe and who are not familiar with the classical school. These people

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ride for pleasure. They love to hunt, to race, perhaps to spend their vacations on horseback travelling through beautiful country. They want a horse they can rely on under all circumstances; that carries them willingly and obediently anywhere; that is relaxed and in balance, whose back sings in rhythm with its gaits and which is therefore perfectly comfortable; that can be ridden with a light rein and controlled with the greatest of ease. They look for that full measure of enjoyment which only comes when rider and horse are in complete harmony. A person able to make a horse meeting all those requirements will certainly always find interested followers.

On the other hand, a so-called "dressage horse," unable to jump the lowest of hedges and getting all steamed up and rambunctious should its rider wish to take it over a narrow ditch, let us say, in a perfectly natural attempt to get off a road into the open country, could find acclaim only among a very small circle of "specialists." It would certainly not be admired by the large number of practical horsemen and riders to whom rational dressage is something new. With justification they would shy away from a method of riding that yielded such dismal results.

In countries like France, Sweden, Switzerland, Austria, Hungary, Holland and Germany, in which rational dressage has been practiced and has become firmly established for several hundred years, no really top Grand Prix dressage horse - in the classical sense - has been produced for some years, not because of a lack of talented riders or horses, but because of a lack of teachers. It is therefore puzzling that, at just such a time, the FEI faces us all - and

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J. A. Allen

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unknown 60 years ago. But the spell of the turf is a powerful spell and so the demands upon Allen's shop become larger and larger. He does his best to satisfy. People throughout the world interested in the horse consider this shop on Lower Grosvenor Place, as I have for years, a link between them and all the great horselore for which Britain is so justly famous. As one man wrote of Joe Allen and his shop '... here on these shelves we meet the best of men discussing the best of all subjects - the Horse.'

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particularly those countries that perhaps for the first time have timidly ventured into the realm of dressage - with tasks that are completely devoid of all practical purposes, is this the way to gain friends and followers and to raise the general level of equitation?

Jumping Phase Essential

At the 1912 Olympic Games held in Stockholm, the Grand Prix Dressage horses were required, at the end of the test, to negotiate a small jumping course of five obstacles at hunting pace. Now, 47 years later, Mr. Sarasin calls such a requirement an "absurdity." He considers it "unfair" to ask a dressage rider riding with long stirrups and a double bridle, to take a jump, on the ground that the long stirrups would prevent him from taking his weight out of the saddle! Well, does not the horse's back have just as much freedom to act normally over such small jumps as we are talking about, when the rider raises his seat a mere hand's breadth out of the saddle, as it has if he raised it a whole foot??

Of course, it is not proposed to turn Grand Prix dressage tests into jumping competitions. On the contrary, the objective is to determine how the horse moves over a few low obstacles and how he handles himself. This is a far more dependable index of the quality of his gymnastic training - his dressage, in the classical sense - than a series of flying changes of lead every stride, which may test the horse's obedience all right, but not his suppleness and relaxation.

It has not been long ago that the French Colonel Chailan-Belval, chairman of the Dressage Committee of the FEI and co-author of the new Grand Prix Test for Rome 1960 agreed with my thesis. In November 1955 he wrote me from Paris: "I am in complete agreement with you that, even though a dressage horse has reached a degree of near perfection, it must retain its ability to move across country just as perfectly. If it has lost that ability, this is a sure sign that its training has followed a wrong path or that it is being ridden incorrectly." Mr. Sarasin, himself wrote in March 1956: "I share in every respect your views regarding the exaggerated specialization in the various forms of riding."

(To Be Concluded)



WATERLOO HUNT

HUNTER TRIALS

CORRESPONDENT: Nancy M. Bonham.

PLACE: Grass Lake, Mich.

TIME: Oct. 3.

JUDGE: Mrs. Everett Fisher.

SUMMARIES:

Hunter horsemanship, 12 & under - 1. Allison Cram; 2. Nancy Talbot; 3. Barry Weiss; 4. Bobby Lambert.

Horsemanship, 13-18 - 1. Bob Sample; 2. Sue Sauer; 3. Julie Smith; 4. Jerry Everett.

Hunters under saddle - 1. Hi Society, Bob Sample; 2. Abbreviation, Mrs. Gerald Helder; 3. Borough Bridge, Fred Boudeman; 4. Peaceful, Mrs. Gari Stroh, Jr.

Green hunters - 1. Evening Chimes, Lauray Farms; 2. Abbreviation; 3. Poets Chance, Jerry Everett; 4. Bubbly Becky, Barry Weiss.

Michigan Hunts trophy - 1. Hi Society; 2. Sky Crystal, Phillip Fox; 3. Beachcomber, Julie Smith; 4. Lucky Sailor, Lindy Rice.

Working hunters - 1. Abbreviation; 2. Sonmino, Allison Cram; 3. Hi Society; 4. Lively Sal, Beth Marty.

Jr. hunters, 13 & under - 1. Bubbly Becky; 2. Cacciatore, Mike Calderone; 3. Sonmino; 4. Magnificent, Bobby Lambert.

Jr. hunters, 14-17 - 1. Hi Society; 2. Sky Crystal; 3. Forward, Karen Menneke; 4. Lieclester Square, Lauray Farm.

Pairs of hunters - 1. Pandora, Sue Sauer, Beachcomber; 2. Bubbly Becky, Cacciatore; 3. Aztec, Rosemary Calderone, Hi Society.

Qualified hunters - 1. Blessington, Lauray Farm; 2. Ingot, Lauray Farm; 3. Borough Bridge; 4. Ben Hur, Lauray Farms.

Open hunters - 1. Hi Society; 2. Borough Bridge; 3. Big Sweep, Dr. Fred C. Tager; 4. Abbreviation.

Open handy hunters - 1. Sonmino; 2. Beachcomber.

Corinthian hunters - 1. Blessington; 2. Sonmino; 3. Borough Bridge; 4. Abbreviation.

Hunt teams - 1. Ingot, Blessington, Ben Hur.

BULL RUN HUNT

CORRESPONDENT: Ruth Kennedy.

PLACE: Manassas, Va.

TIME: Sept. 12.

JUDGES: Raymond Norton, Sr., Reed Graves, Delmar Twyman.

SMALL PONY CH: Fancy, Frankie Owens.

RES: Sauce Box, Jr. Equitation School.

LARGE PONY CH: Brigadoon, Nancy Hahn.

RES: Four Winds, Janet Goldberg.

JR. CH: Red Gold, Janet Goldberg.

RES: Happy Briar, Frances Kay.

GREEN HUNTER CH: Port's Image, Teddy Kay.

RES: Blythwood, Mary S. Sprague.

WORKING HUNTER CH: Little Minx, Mary Lou Walsh.

RES: High Friar, Evie Thorndike.

JUMPER CH: Cheyenne, New Hope Farm.

RES: Country Club, Donald Snelling.

SUMMARIES:

Small pony working hunter - 1. Fancy, Frankie Owens; 2. Sauce Box, Jr. Equitation School; 3. Sprite, Mrs. L. R. Sanders.

Jr. working hunter - 1. Jumping Jack, Peggy Aurand; 2. Ducky, Redbrook Farm; 3. Happy Briar, Frances Kay; 4. Mighty John, Beverly Hink.

Large pony working hunter - 1. Four Winds, Janet Goldberg; 2. Brigadoon, Nancy Hahn; 3. Strawberry Shortcake, Lyn Mills; 4. Sure Thing, Helen Calvert.

Warm-up - 1. War Hawk, Wally Holly; 2. Cheyenne, New Hope Farm; 3. Sugar Foot, Wally Holly; 4. Rappahannock, William Dowling.

Jr. hunter under saddle - 1. Happy Briar; 2. Red Gold, Janet Goldberg; 3. Iron Duke, Red Brook Farm; 4. Velvet Jett, Pat Keen.

Green working hunter - 1. Port's Image, Teddy Kay; 2. Thorny Jim, New Hope Farm; 3. Tally Hi, Kathy Laing; 4. Easy Going, Meredith Hedrick.

Special horsemanship - 1. C. Studler; 2. Betty Lantz; 3. Willie Drake; 4. Harold Mauck, Jr.

Small pony jumper - 1. Fancy; 2. Puddle Jumper, Merri-field Stable; 3. Sauce Box.

Large pony jumper - 1. Strawberry Shortcake; 2. Brigadoon; 3. Four Winds; 4. Coke, Betty Lantz.

Owner-rider - 1. Port's Image; 2. Happy Briar; 3. Red Gold; 4. Velvet Jett.

VHSA equitation - 1. Janet Goldberg; 2. Janet Palmer; 3. Nancy Hahn; 4. Mary Southwell Hutchison.

Lead line - 1. Blackie, Billy Miller; 2. Red Buttons, Becky Conroy; 3. Bonnie Lee, Barry W. Titcombe; 4. Tom Thumb, Gail Owens.

Bull Run Hunt - 1. Farris, Patty's Riding School; 2. Happy Dawn, Conway Seeley; 3. Bill Bo, Cock-a-Toe Stable; 4. Mr. New Hope, New Hope Farm.

Jr. Modified Olympic - 1. Ugly Duckling, Norma Gerstenfeld; 2. Little Boots, Craig Todd; 3. Red Gold; 4. War Echo, Jill Ridgeley.

Knockdown & out - 1. Rainbow, Wally Holly; 2. Country Club, Donald Snelling; 3. Top Brass, Mitzi Johnson; 4. Blue Wasp, Sara Willis.

Large pony under saddle - 1. Brigadoon; 2. Sure Thing; 3. Little Man, Harold Mauck; 4. Little Nibs, Jr. Equitation School.

Small pony under saddle - 1. Fancy; 2. Sprite; 3. Sauce Box; 4. Solomon, Peter Canney.

Green working hunter under saddle - 1. Port's Image; 2. All Wool, Nannie Fred; 3. Virginia Bay, Kirk Swann; 4. Tally Hi.

Open working hunter - 1. Blythwood, Mary S. Sprague; 2. Iron Duke; 3. Tiny, Spring Oak Stable; 4. Ballet Master, Norma Gerstenfeld.

Modified Olympic - 1. Cheyenne; 2. Country Club; 3. Sugar-foot; 4. Witch Doctor, Johnny Simpson.

Green working hunter - 1. Blythwood; 2. Port's Image; 3. Nordick's Flag, Sgt. Walters; 4. Thorny Jim.

Working hunter stake - 1. Rip Snorter, Mary S. Sprague; 2. Little Minx, Mary Lou Walsh; 3. Marina, Willow Creek Farm; 4. Iron Duke.

Working hunter hack - 1. Red Gold; 2. Little Minx; 3. Gypsy Jinx; 4. Happy Dawn.

Jr. working hunter attire - 1. Red Gold; 2. Sister K; 3. Happy Briar; 4. Mighty John.

Triple bar - 1. Country Club; 2. War Hawk; 3. Cheyenne; 4. Rainbow.

Open green working hunters - 1. Port's Image; 2. Alibi Bill, James McCauley; 3. Nordick's Flag; 4. Atomic Light, Elaine Calvin.

Handy working hunter - 1. High Friar, Evie Thorndike; 2. Marina, Willow Creek Farm; 3. Homeward Bound, Carla DiGuiliani; 4. Champagne, Daphne Feuchtenberger.

Jumper stake - 1. Cheyenne; 2. Rainbow; 3. Country Club; 4. War Hawk.

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SNOWMAN'S deLEYER ON T.V.

It was rather startling (for the moment) to see Harry deLeyer, owner of Snowman, on the TV panel show "To Tell The Truth," on November 12th, two days after the National Horse Show. (The panelists must guess which of the three contestants is the "real" whoever he is - in this case, Harry deLeyer.)

The "affadavit" stated that Snowman was the champion at the National Horse Show - PHA champion; that deLeyer had turned down \$100,000 for him; that he was the greatest jumper in the country, and that his owner had bought him "because of his little ears."

All three panelists guessed deLeyer correctly. Kitty Carlisle had read the story in a prominent weekly; Tom Posten had read the papers and prodded at the end of the quiz to bring out that Snowman had placed "second," or was reserve champion, as deLeyer explained. Windsor Castle had just defeated Snowman for the National title 30 points to 15.

Snowman's biggest feat is winning the PHA championship two years running, with very wide spread of points each year - this year 137 to the reserve champion, Quick Trade's 95 points. M.L.S.

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The Pennsylvania National Horse Show was dedicated to the memory of three gallant men closely connected with the show, who died during the past year.

They were Col. Fred Ahern, of Ireland; Lt. Col. Stuart C. Bate, OBE, CD, of Toronto, Ont., Canada, and Paul Brown, foremost equine artist.

Col. Ahern, who was one of the most charming gentlemen one could ever meet, led the Irish Army team for many years, first as a rider, then in later years as its non-riding team captain. It was under his leadership that the Irish team won its greatest victories, and his own good sportsmanship carried over to the team members through the years. Everyone was sad to hear of his serious illness a year ago when the Irish team did not come for many years, and even sadder to hear of his death last December.

Lt. Col. Bate was another delightful personality, quiet and unassuming, who would just as lief sit up at the counter in the Penn Harris Hotel as at a dining table, and quietly chat with whomsoever he rubbed elbows with. He was an International and open jumper judge for many years, and the judges' box just didn't look right without him.

Paul Brown, who had achieved international fame for his equestrian drawings, filled the pages of the Penn National catalogue with his pictures of horses in action - real action. The programs are worth saving for these pictures alone. Happily, they can be continued in use.

In pondering the deaths of these three men, there is called sadly to mind the passing of several outstanding personalities in the International Jumping circle in less than 8 years. Among them were Mike Tubridy of Ireland, Bill Hanson of England, both young men cut down in their prime, sweet lovable old Dr. Rau, coach of the German team about five years ago. There also was Count Campello of Italy, who was a guest of the Penn National one year, although Italy did not complete. They will all live in our long memories. M.L.S.

LANGLEY AND BATTSON TO JOCKEY CLUB

William C. Langley, former member of the New York State Racing Commission and a lifelong foxhunter who for many years hunted with the Orange County in Virginia, has been elected a member of The Jockey Club. Also elected was Leigh M. Battson, an official of the Los Angeles Turf Club, operators of Santa Anita Park since its inception in 1934.

DR. J. P. JONES

Dr. John Porter Jones of Inglecress Farm, Albemarle County, Virginia, died of leukemia on Sunday, November 30th, at the Martha Jefferson Hospital, Charlottesville, at the age of 71. Trainer of the horses of George M. Humphrey, Mrs. Royal Firman Jr., Crispin Oglebay, R. A. Van Clief and P. Hunter Faulconer for many seasons, he came from a family long noted in the annals of training, his father-in-law being "Uncle Billy" Garth, a great figure on the turf at the turn of the century. His brother-in-law Woods Garth is also a successful trainer. His son, William G. Jones, also a trainer, died about a year ago. Two of the best horses which Dr. Jones trained for Mr. Oglebay were Level Best, winner of six Stakes at 2 and the Coaching Club American Oaks at 3. Mr. Oglebay's Noble Impulse won the Eastern Shore Stakes at Havre de Grace and the James H. Connors Memorial at Narragansett as well as running third in the Preakness the following year. His widow was for many years master of the Farmington Hunt, an outgrowth of the Garth family pack.

DEMOCRAT TROPHY

It was fitting that Bill Steinkraus, captain of the United States Equestrian team, should win the Democrat Memorial Trophy offered by Mr. and Mrs. Whitney Stone at the National Horse Show, for he was the last man to ride the grand old horse in International competition. Democrat dated back to the time when the United States had an Army team, and carried well over into the civilian team era. Steinkraus won the trophy riding 19-year-old Trail Guide, also an Army-trained horse. M.L.S.

HUNT TEAMS AT THE NATIONAL

One of the most colorful events at the National is the class for Hunt Teams, with the riders in their impeccable hunting attire. After the class is over and the ring is full of those magnificent horses lined up three deep, taking your breath away, we often think how much the government would love us if the value of all those horses combined represented our year's salary.

This year, with 13 teams competing, the superbly performing Waterloo Hunt won the blue. Riders were Mrs. Max Bonham on Slide Rule, Miss Judy Firestone riding Sazerac and Miss Christy Firestone on Mysterious.

Junior riders also had their hunt teams, with ten trios entered. First place was won by Mr. Stewart's Cheshire Fox Hounds, located at Unionville, Pa., a place about 35 miles southwest of Philadelphia. Riders, though, were from the New York area: Patricia Corey, on Spearmint; Wendy Hanson (medal winner) riding Star Chamber, and Michael Del Balso with Tired. M.L.S.

Friday, December 11, 1959

THE WILSON'S PINATA PARTY

A correspondent, Mrs. D. H. Munroe, writes: - "The Frank Wilsons of Santa Fe, New Mexico recently gave a pinata party for the children of the neighborhood. Pinatas are a Mexican custom; they consist of large jars made of a very cheap, thin pottery and filled with small toys, candy, and so forth. The pinata is suspended from the ceiling; the children take turns being blindfolded and the blindfolded one is given a large stick with which he strikes in what he hopes is the direction of the pinata, trying to smash it. When it is smashed the kids all scramble for the good things which are scattered on the floor. (As you see it is a somewhat livelier version of pin-the-tail-on-the-donkey.) Now, just in case some over-eager infant gets himself cut by flying potsherds, the Mexicans line all pinatas with old newspapers, carefully glued in. (Incidentally, Mexico is the only country which makes these things.) So you can imagine Frank Wilson's surprise when he picked up a large fragment of pottery from the floor when the party was over, and found that it was lined with - THE CHRONICLE."

The winners of The Eugene Fisher Bowl at the Bay State Pack Trials - Harry Rickter holding Sandanona Merrymaker, Joker, Bugler and Waldingfield Bridget - Morgan Wing, Master of the Sandanona holding the Bowl. (Reynolds Photo)



WALSH-CREMIN

Miss Maureen Walsh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Walsh of Southern Pines, N. C. and Queens Village, Long Island, was married to James Joseph Cremin of Floral Park, Long Island, at a High Nuptial Mass at the Church of St. Anthony De Padua on November 28th - her father is a well-known trainer of successful steeplechasers, many of which are owned by Mrs. Walsh. Like her sisters, Mrs. Cremin is an accomplished rider of hunters and jumpers.

BADMINTON DATES

By kind permission of His Grace the Duke of Beaufort, the Olympic Three Day Horse Trials will be held in Badminton Park, Glos., England, from April 21-23, 1960. A new three-day event will be the Army Three-Day Horse Trials, at Tidworth, Salisbury Plain, May 13 to 15, open to horses which did not compete at Badminton.

LOUDOUN HUNT LENDS TERRITORY

By arrangement with the Loudoun Hunt, the Fairfax Hunt has been lent some new territory. This may take some of the pressure off present areas which are swiftly being circumscribed by the county's building boom. The new region is a pie-shaped slab of lower Loudoun County. Its boundaries run southwest from the Potomac through Ashburn and Ryan to Route 50 at the Fairfax County line. There it follows the Fairfax County line back to the river, and thence up river to the starting point.

R.F.W.

BRIGADIER & MRS. BOLTON

Brigadier and Mrs. Lyndon Bolton of Northcumberland, England were recent guests in the Genesee Valley. They were on their way to the Royal Winter Fair Horse Show where Brigadier Bolton had numerous judging duties. They stayed with Major General and Mrs. Roger Reynolds of Avon N. Y. Brigadier General Bolton went out twice with the Genesee Valley Hunt and was very much taken with 1) the country 2) the riding 3) the enthusiastic field and most of all the general spirit of the place.

M.K.

GALVIN ENTERS THOROUGHBRED FIELD

At the Newmarket (England) December Sales, Captain C. Harty, representing his own bloodstock agency, paid \$35,280 for a chestnut filly foal by *Tudor Minstrel out of Musidora, winner of the Oaks and 1,000 Guineas. According to Captain Harty, this filly was bought on behalf of Galvin Stud, Clondalkin, County Dublin, Ireland. The owner of the stud, John Galvin, is familiar to Chronicle readers in connection with the Rancho San Fernando Rey, Santa Barbara, California, where the U. S. Three-Day Olympic Team has been training as the guests of Mr. Galvin. The latter owns Grasshopper (formerly Copper Coin) on which Michael Page won the Three-Day Event Gold Medal at the Pan-American Games. He also owns Rath Patrick, a Thoroughbred on which his daughter, Trish Galvin, won the Grand Prix de Dressage Gold Medal, also at the Pan-American Games. Both horses were bred in Ireland.

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CRUMP COMPANY

T. A. Matthews, who joined the leather-goods department of the Crump Company, Richmond, Va. in 1932, becoming Production Manager in 1945 and Manager in 1950, has recently been elected Vice-President of the Company.

TURKEY & HORSE CHANCES

Eighth-grader Daniel Yuska should go far as a salesman when he grows up.

Just before the Thanksgiving holiday the lad sent the following terse letter to Louis Pondfield, executive director of Pimlico Race Course:

"St. Jerome's school is having its annual turkey raffle. Please help us win.

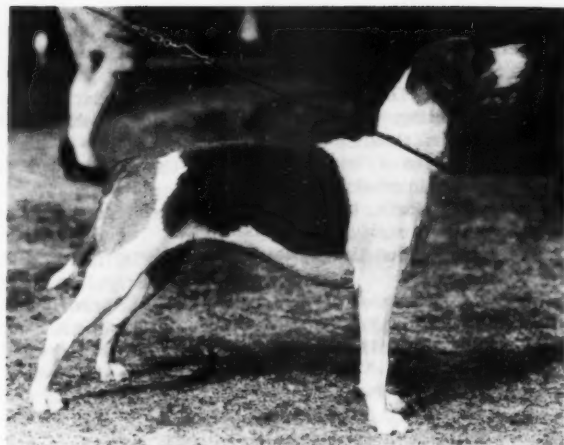
"Our fathers take chances on your horses. Please take a chance on our turkey raffle."

Pondfield could not resist the logic of the lad's argument. St. Jerome's turkey raffle was richer by \$10, courtesy of the Maryland Jockey Club.

C.H.J.



Dart Vale TALKER, Best Entered Dog and Champion Dog Harrier at the 1959 Peterborough (Eng.) Harrier Show.
(Frank H. Meads Photos)



Cambridge PEEVISH, Best Entered Bitch Hound and Champion Bitch Harrier of the 1959 Peterborough Harrier Show.

IRISH OLYMPIC HORSE SOCIETY

The name of the Castletown Equestrian and Hunter Trials Society has been changed to the Irish Olympic Horse Society Limited. The purposes of the organization have been restated as follows: - (1) To equip, train and instruct Irish riders for all Dressage and three-day event competitions; (2) To purchase or lease for such period as may be thought fit all or any horses for said events; (3) To provide for and manage the rider or riders training for the said events and to make all the necessary arrangements to enable a rider to compete at any one, two or three-day events or dressage competitions in any part of the world; (4) To raise by public or private subscription in such manner as the Management Committee may think fit, funds for the proper discharge of the objects of the Society."

WHITNEY ESTATE SOLD

Cornelius Vanderbilt Whitney's 530-acre estate near Old Westbury, Long Island, the largest remaining residential property on the "Gold Coast", has been sold for a price believed to be between two and three million dollars to a real estate developer Norman E. Blankman of Sands Point, Long Island.

MRS. PETER SARGENT

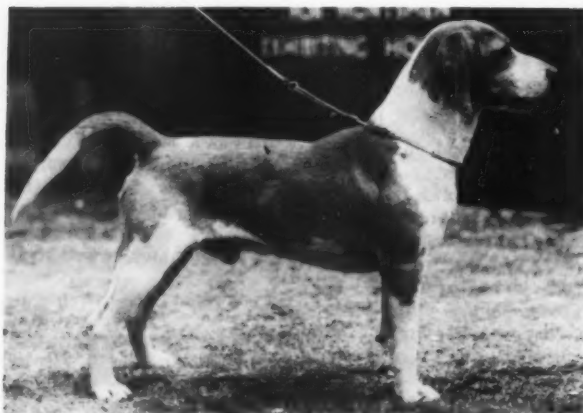
Mrs. Peter Sargent of Charlottesville, Va., whose husband is the proprietor of Sargent's Saddlery, was killed in an automobile accident on November 13th while she and her husband and 16-year-old daughter were returning to their residence in Keswick after attending a high school football game. The two latter escaped with minor cuts and bruises.

COCA-COLA AND THE CHRONICLE

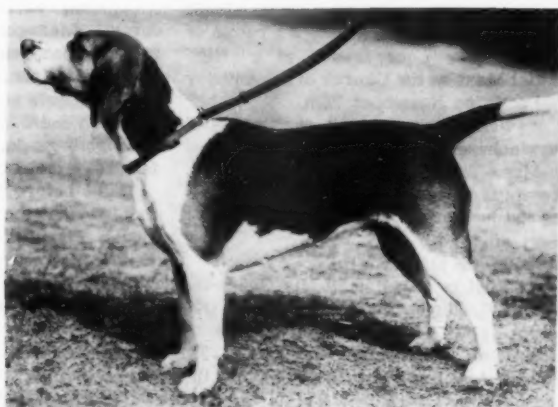
A recent full page advertisement of Coca-Cola, which has appeared in national magazines, features the inevitable bottle on a table against which is leaning a pink coat and on which is resting a hunting whip, a pigskin glove containing a hand and - of all things - The Chronicle.

AMERICANS AT NEWMARKET

Kentuckians attending the December Sales at Newmarket, England include Olin Gentry, manager of John W. Galbreath's Darby Dan Farm; Alex Bower of the Cromwell Bloodstock Agency; Howard Endicott, manager of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Rice's Danada Farm; Alfred Nuckols of Hurstland Farm; Ralph Kercheval, co-owner of the Idle Hour Farm with Mr. and Mrs. Julian Rogers; and Pat O'Neill, veteran breeding authority.



Britannia CARRON, Best Entered Dog, Best Stallion Hound and Champion Dog Beagle at the 1959 Peterborough (Eng.) Beagle Show.
(Frank H. Meads Photos)



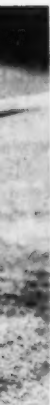
Sandhurst VAMPIRE, Best Entered Bitch and Champion Bitch Beagle at Peterborough Beagle Show of 1959.



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